

COMMENT OF  
THE DAY

Middle East  
And Cyprus

ONE of the most perplexing features of current strategy is that countries with heavy responsibilities for the safeguarding of freedom must not only be able to defend different places, but must also be prepared for different kinds of war. Not even what President Eisenhower has called the spirit of Geneva can eliminate this paradox; for until thorough-going disarmament and east-west security arrangements make it impossible for would-be aggressors to disturb the peace, the nations charged with the defence of the free world must take whatever steps are necessary to ensure that they can fulfil their duty.

Most strategic considerations inherited from the past would be irrelevant if the only kind of war conceivable today were an all-out surprise hydrogen bomb attack on capital cities and major industrial centres. But an all or nothing war of that kind is far from being the only possibility in a world still not disarmed; and the existence of other means of aggression creates other dangers rooted in political, economic and strategic geography which the world of the 1950's has inherited.

IN terms of this geography the Middle East is one of the key regions, and Cyprus is one of the key positions in the Middle East.

New conditions make it impracticable for any single power to shoulder responsibility for defending the whole area. New nations have emerged in the Middle East, and the fierce pride in their independence makes it hard for them to achieve a close-knit unity which would provide a strong defensive shield. Even so valuable associations have grown up.

Turkey constitutes the easternmost buttress of NATO and both contribute to the defensive strength of the North Atlantic powers. Moreover, besides commitments under NATO to Greece and Turkey, Britain has specific treaty obligations to aid Iraq, Jordan and Libya if they are attacked. Turkey, Iraq, Pakistan and Britain have mutual defensive arrangements. All this has increased the strength of the Middle East, as has the development of Turkish military power.

THE importance of Cyprus in the defence of the Middle East flows partly from the facts of strategic geography and partly from Britain's special interests and duties. The island guards the southern flank of Turkey; it protects the sea and air approaches to Syria; and it is the defensive outpost of Egypt. In the strategic geography of the British Commonwealth, Cyprus is a base for deterrent air action in the defence of Turkey, Iraq and Jordan; the centre for the concentration and redeployment of ground troops needed to reinforce other Middle East countries; the key to naval and air command of the Eastern Mediterranean; and the staging point of great importance for Commonwealth communications.

By next February all British troops will be withdrawn from the Suez Canal zone, and they will also be withdrawn from Iraq. But the security and local defence of the Middle East countries makes it necessary for some British forces to remain in the area. They must be more centrally situated than in Libya. Cyprus is the obvious answer.

It is this role in the strategic defence of the Middle East which must temper and very considerably influence the current talks in London on the future of Cyprus.

# American Plan At New York Disarmament Talks 'LET'S EXCHANGE INSPECTORS' May Help Prevent Surprise Attacks

New York, Aug. 30. The United States proposed today that it should exchange military inspection teams with Russia which could give early warning on mobilisation for a surprise attack.

There was no immediate Russian reaction to the plan disclosed by U.S. Disarmament expert, Mr Harold E. Stassen in placing before the U.N. disarmament sub-Committee details of President Eisenhower's military inspection plan.

Mr Stassen told the five-nation sub-Committee that ground observers would be stationed at "key locations" within each other's country "to give warning of evidence of surprise attack or mobilisation."

A key provision of Russia's own disarmament plan was the stationing of inspection teams at rail heads, road junctions, air fields and sea ports to observe military activities.

Mr Stassen took over from the American Ambassador, Mr Henry Cabot Lodge Jr as representative of the U.S. as the delegates of the five nations—the United States, Britain, Russia, France and Canada—met for the second day in closed session.

## Clarifies Blueprint Exchange Plan

He gave this outline of President Eisenhower's proposal for an exchange with the Kremlin of military blueprints, and aerial inspection of military installations:

"The term, blueprint of military establishments, is defined as consisting of the identification, strength, command structure and disposition of personnel units and equipment of all major land, sea and air forces, including organised reserves; and a complete list of military plant facilities and installations with their location."

"Each nation has recognised the need of ground observers and these will be stationed at key locations within the other country for the purpose of allowing them to certify the accuracy of the foregoing information and to give warning of evidence of surprise attack or of mobilisation."

"Each country shall permit unrestricted, but monitored aerial reconnaissance by visual, photographic and electronic means by the other country."

Mr Stassen said the concept of the Eisenhower plan was for the U.S. and Russia to exchange all data on military forces and installations subject to verification and surveillance as a precaution against attack.

"This exchange," he said, "is to be accomplished in progressive steps as mutually agreed upon by the two Governments."

## Provision For Spot Checking

Schedules will be drawn to assure simultaneous delivery of similar type of information by each side before progressing to the next phase of the disarmament programme, he said.

Provision for immediate spot checking would be included, Mr Stassen declared. Data deemed essential to preclude a surprise attack, he said, would include figures on: weapons and delivery systems suitable for a

surprise attack, transportation and tele-communications, structure and positioning of armed forces, and additional facilities as agreed upon.

"Arrangements will be made," Mr Stassen said, "for the posting of the spot observers with operating land, sea and air forces at their supporting installations and key locations as necessary for the verification, continued observation and reporting of each category of information."

"The number and location of the observers will be mutually agreed upon prior to the exchange of information and provisions will be made for changes in the location should the initial arrangements prove to be inadequate."

Mr Stassen said aerial reconnaissance would be conducted to augment the ground observers posted in each country.

"Each inspecting country will utilise its own aircraft and related equipment," he said. "The liaison personnel of the country being inspected will be aboard each reconnaissance flight, and each country would provide one or more airfields as bases for the inspecting aircraft and crews."

## Strategy Talks First

Mr Stassen said procedures must be established for designation of ports of entry and egress for incoming and departing observers' reconnaissance aircraft, clearance of incoming and departing observers, aircraft and crews, and arrangements for monitored passage to and from home territory, check and identification of observers and reconnaissance aircraft personnel and equipment engaged in this activity and air traffic control of inspecting aircraft by the host government.

The four Western powers held a strategy session before today's meeting and plan a similar meeting each morning this week. Prospects were that the sub-Committee would meet every afternoon this week.

The British delegate, Mr Anthony Nutting, told the sub-Committee: "It is helpful to this elaboration on the President's proposals" which he called "an important contribution."

"Considerable work and thought have gone into this question since Geneva. The proposals will be studied by the Governments."

Although all five representatives spoke at today's meeting, it was learned that none except Mr Stassen committed his government firmly to the Eisenhower plan.

Much of the meeting was devoted to seeking to draw out the Soviet delegate, Mr Arkady A. Sobolev, on details of the Kremlin plan first introduced into the sub-Committee at its London meeting last May 10.—United Press.

## GIANT NEW CARRIER IN SEA TRIAL MISHAP

New York, Aug. 30. The biggest aircraft carrier in the world, the U.S.S. Forrestal, "burned out" a bearing in one of its propeller shafts today bringing its first sea trials to a sudden end.

The carrier, which is 59,650 tons, slowed to a halt in the Atlantic with the announcement that a bearing in the number three shaft had been "wiped out."

The accident means that full power tests scheduled for tomorrow will have to be cancelled.

The builders, the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Co., and a Navy board studying the trials decided to take Forrestal back to her berth at Newport News, Virginia, on Thursday morning instead of Friday.

## 'A Calculated Risk'

Mr H. T. Bent, Vice-President and Works Manager of the company described the incident as unfortunate but not unusual. He said the company took a calculated risk by combining the builders' trials and the Navy acceptance trials which usually came later.

This was because the advent of hurricane Diane caused a disruption of earlier plans.

"If we had had the builders' trials," Mr Bent said, "We would have found such difficulties and corrected them before going into the Navy trials," he added.—United Press.

## SECURITY COUNCIL MAY HEAR NTH. AFRICA REPORT

New York, Aug. 30. The 17-nation Asian-African group, meeting at United Nations headquarters today decided to bring the situation in French North Africa before the Security Council.

The group agreed to set up a committee of six to prepare the case for the Council "with due regard to the matter of timing."

Mr Edward Risk, of Lebanon, who presided, said the formal request to the Council for a meeting would not be made until the committee of six had drawn up the necessary memorandum.

It was not possible to say at this time when the Council might be asked to meet. He said it might take a week or two before the case to be placed before the Council was complete.

## MOROCCO AND ALGERIA

Morocco and Algeria were both covered by the term "North Africa."

He added that one of the elements in the "fluidity" of the present situation in North Africa concerned the outcome of the talks which have been going on between the French Government and Moroccan representatives at Aix-Les-Bains.

"If negotiations truly are being carried out we would not in any way wish to jeopardise the chances of their success," he said.

## NO NEGOTIATIONS AT AIX-LES-BAINS

Mr Abdelali told reporters the talks which had taken place in Aix-Les-Bains were not "negotiations." He said the French Government had asked the Moroccan representatives there to give their points of view.

"There has been no negotiation at all," he added.

In Paris the Resident-General of Morocco, M. Gilbert Grandval, called at the Prime Minister's office tonight while M. Edgar Faure was in conference with the French Defence

Minister, General Pierre Koehnig.

There is, however, as yet no confirmation of reports he will resign.

According to a Tunis report, General Boyer De La Tour, French Resident-General in Tunisia is regarded as M. Grandval's successor. —Reuter & France-Press.

## TWO TERRORISTS ESCAPE

Morocco, Aug. 30. Security forces in Morocco are searching for two important terrorist leaders who escaped last night from the prison at Safi.

Today's search for the escapees has been fruitless. Frontier guards have been alerted to prevent the men leaving the country.

The 8th battalion of the 5th French Infantry Regiment, one of the oldest in France, arrived at Casablanca this evening by sea from Marseilles to reinforce the French forces in Morocco.

The battalion was posted from Germany and will be sent on to the Oued-Zem region on Thursday. Oued-Zem was the scene of serious rioting ten days ago.

At the same time 117 armoured cars arrived at Casablanca from France for motorised units in Morocco.

The 5th Infantry Regiment was founded in 1695 and is known as the "Navarro Regiment". —France-Press.

## A Bomb Under Peron's Window

Buenos Aires, Aug. 30. A small explosive charge went off today just beneath the windows of President Juan Peron's office in the Casa Rosada, the government house in central Buenos Aires.

Police said the explosive, thrown from a speeding car by unidentified persons, went off harmlessly, shortly before noon. —United Press.

## Bus Tragedy

Paris, Aug. 30. One child was killed and nine injured when a station bus backed into a crowd of holiday children at the Gare de Lyon station in Paris tonight. Two girls in charge of the children were also injured. —France-Press.

## Colombo Plan Talks

Singapore, Aug. 30. The seventh Colombo Plan meeting will be held in Singapore between October 17 and October 22, according to a Singapore Government statement released today. —Reuter.

## EGYPT AGREES TO CEASEFIRE IN BORDER WAR

Cairo, Aug. 30. Egypt has accepted a proposal made by the Chief Truce Inspector in Palestine, General E. L. M. Burns for a ceasefire on the Egyptian-Israeli border.

This was stated in a United Press report received in the China Mail office late this morning but up to the time of going to press no further details had been received.

This news came following new reports of fighting along the Gaza strip.

An Egyptian military spokesman at Gaza claimed that one Egyptian soldier was killed and five civilians were wounded as the result of three Israeli border attacks which, he said, took place in a period of less than four hours.

## COUNTER-CLAIMS

The Israeli military spokesman at Tel Aviv immediately launched counter-claims that two Jews were killed and "several" wounded in five new attacks by Egyptian infiltrators in the last 12 hours.

These attacks however did not take place along the Gaza strip but along other sections of the Israel-Egypt border.

In London a spokesman for the Israel Embassy said that "a most serious situation now exists on the Israeli-Egyptian border in the Gaza region."

"Last week Egypt broke off talks with Israel representatives for improving border security and from that moment onwards Egypt launched a continuous series of attacks upon Israel patrols, villages and civilians culminating in the murder last night of one civilian, 25 miles south of Tel Aviv and the murder of four other civilians 15 miles south of Tel Aviv."

## A WARNING NOTE

The statement added: "The Government of Israel is prepared as ever to observe the provisions of the armistice but will take whatever measures necessary to safeguard the life and property of its citizens."

At the same time the Israeli delegate at the headquarters of the United Nations in New York submitted a second letter to the Security Council on recent incidents in the Gaza area.

Last night the Israeli delegation called the attention of the Council to the "grave deterioration" in the situation along the border and said the Israel Government would take "all measures of self-defence for the protection of life and property of its citizens."

## SUDAN MUTINEERS FLEE

Khartoum, Aug. 30. Most of the mutineers of the Sudan Defence Force fled from their headquarters at Torit before Government troops arrived to detain them following an unconditional surrender, reports from the South said today.

Some northerners who had taken refuge from the mutineers in a missionary centre after the rebellion two weeks ago were freed by the arriving forces, the reports added.

Only a few of the mutineers remained. They were arrested. A representative of the mutineers arrived at Juba, the regional capital, from Torit last Sunday to agree to an unconditional surrender. He went back to Torit with the surrender terms.

Loyal members of the Sudan Defence Force then travelled south to round up the mutineers, who are to be tried for taking up arms against the Government.

Traditional differences between the Moslem north and the largely primitive south were behind the mutiny which broke out when southern troops were ordered to move to the north Sudan.—Reuter.

## Why Britain

## Will Not Back China's U.N. Bid

London, Aug. 30. Britain will once more oppose discussion by the United Nations General Assembly of the question of the admission of Communist China, a well-informed source indicated today.

The Soviet delegate, Mr Arkady Sobolev, is expected to raise the question immediately after the Assembly opens in New York on September 21.

This demand is expected to meet opposition by the United States and the British delegation will in all likelihood support the Americans.

NO HOSTILITY  
Britain would adopt such an attitude, it was indicated here, not out of hostility toward Communist China, with which it has maintained diplomatic relations since January, 1950, but on grounds of expediency.

It was felt in London that the international climate is not yet favourable for such a decision, although the world situation has improved.

The issue still divides United Nations members and a debate, it was felt here, might have extremely unfavourable repercussions on the very future of the organisation. —France-Press.

## "SUBVERSIVE" GOANS GET 12 YEARS

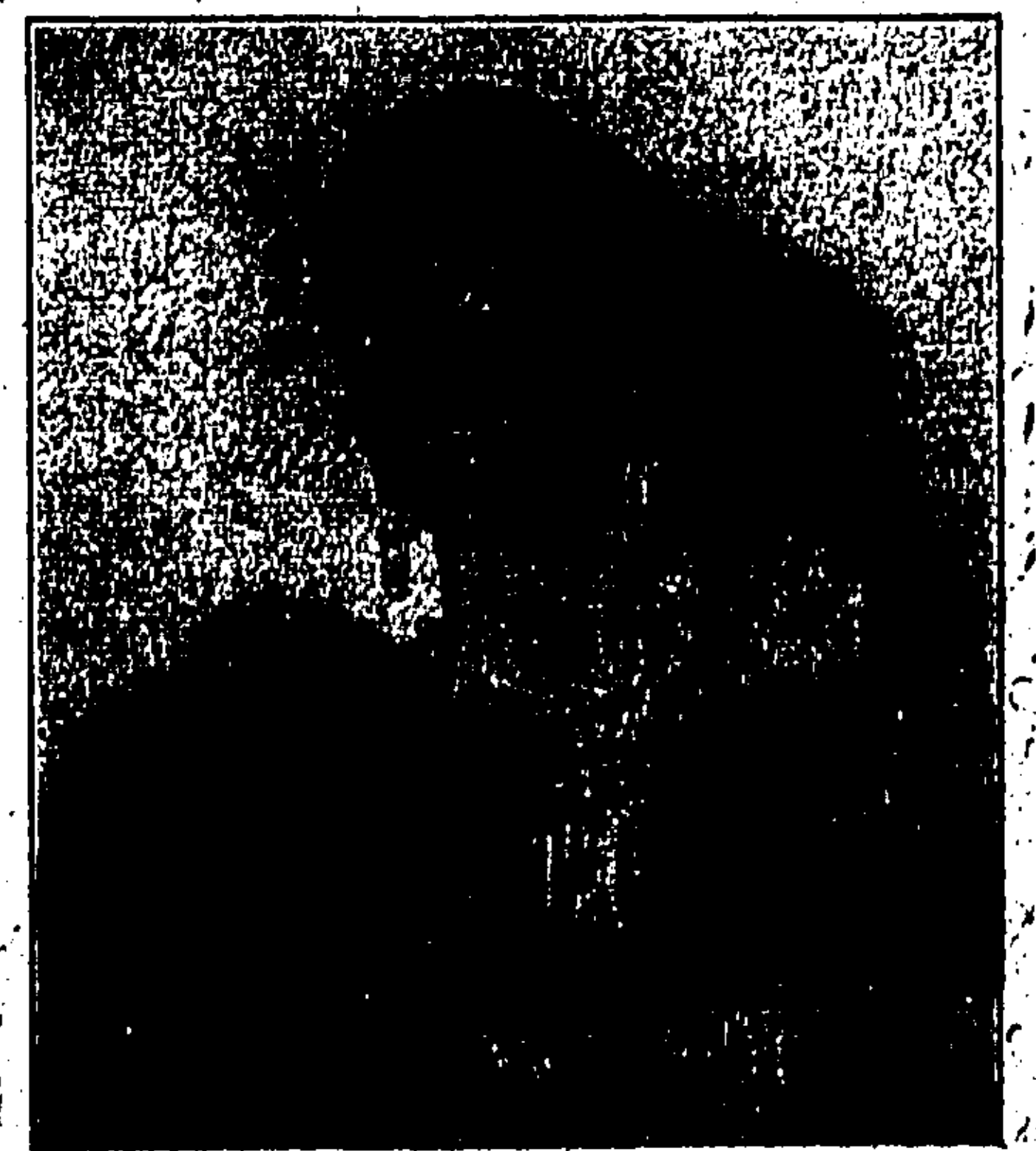
Goa, Aug. 30. A Portuguese Military Tribunal has sentenced eight Goan Hindus, charged with subversive activities, to prison terms ranging from one to 12 years with fines and suspension of political rights. It was announced today. One man was acquitted.

The group were arrested on January 20 (Indian Republic Day).

The Portuguese authorities are permitting the wife of Madhu Limaye, arrested when leading Indian demonstrators into Goa on July 28, to visit her husband in prison. It was stated here. The Indian Government had requested that the visit be permitted. —Reuter.

## Leaving Austria By October

London, Aug. 30. The War Office announced today that, in accordance with the Austrian State Treaty, all British troops will be out of Austria by October 24.—United Press.



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## Pilot Dies In Crash

Calcutta, Aug. 30.

An Indian Airlines freighter Dakota caught fire and crashed today while taking off at Simla, south-west of Kathmandu.

The pilot, Captain C. Bhowmik, who with two other members of the crew, was seriously injured in the crash, died later at Patna Hospital where the injured had been flown by a helicopter plane, always officials said.

This is the second Indian plane crash in a month in Nepal—another freighter Dakota having crashed at Balawa killing the pilot three weeks ago.—Reuter.

## FLATS ON THE PLAYING FIELDS OF ETON?

Eton, Aug. 30.

The Ministry of Housing today refused to confirm an application by the Eton Urban Council to purchase compulsorily part of the famous playing fields of Eton, England's leading public school, to build flats.

The college itself had not objected to the proposal but local residents opposed the move at a public inquiry last month.

They pointed out that the land in question is flooded when

the River Thames overflows and the erection of flats would spoil one of Eton's best spots of nearby Windsor Castle.

The Ministry told the Council by letter today that it could not confirm the order because the ground is subject to extensive flooding and the amenities of the area would be seriously affected.

The flats were intended for old people.—China Mail Special.



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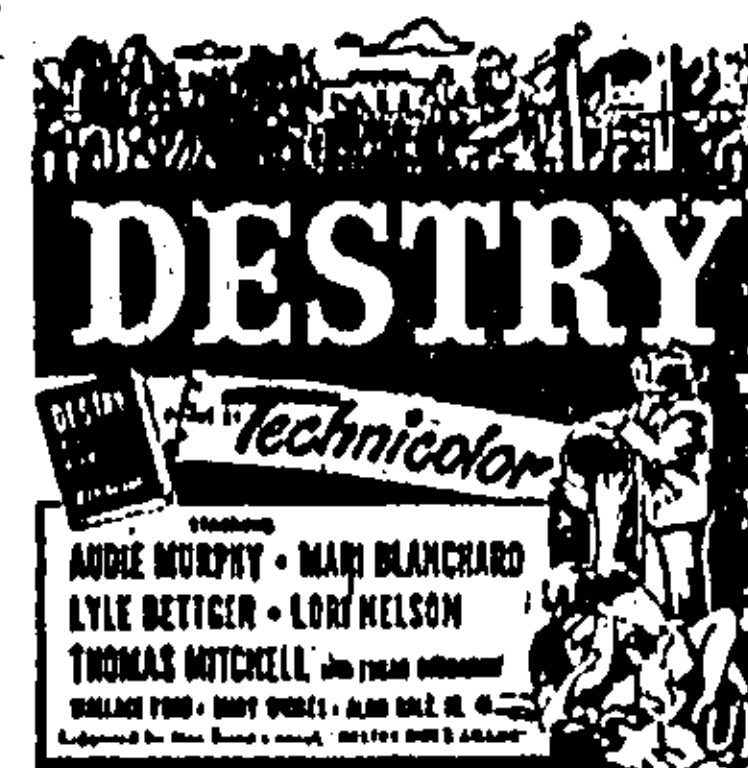
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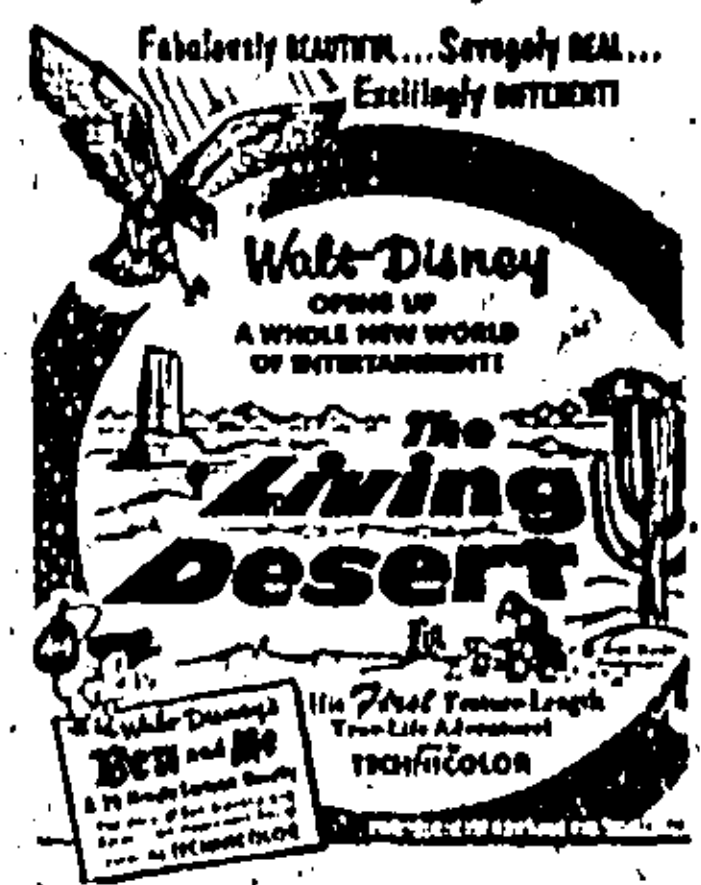
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Sir Thomas White, the Australian High Commissioner in London, speaks at the formation ceremony of the first Royal Australian Navy jet and propeller jet squadrons in Britain at Coldrose Air Station, near Heldon (Cornwall).—Express Photo.

## US Wants 1/2 Million From Chaplin

Washington, Aug. 30.

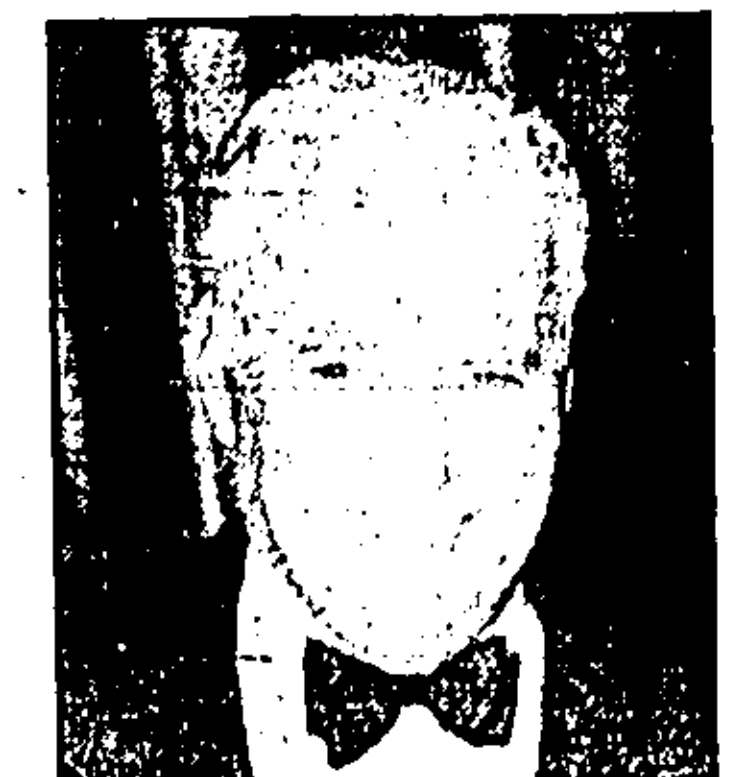
Silent film star Charles Chaplin protested the Government assessing him \$516,167.47 in income taxes and interest for 1953, US tax court records showed today.

Chaplin, who left the United States in 1952, claims that he was not a resident of the United States during 1953 and consequently cannot be assessed for income tax for that year.

Chaplin, a British subject despite his many years in the United States, said that when he left in September, 1952, for

11, 1953, to the end of that year he was a non-resident alien engaged in trade or business in the United States.

Chaplin contends that as a British subject he was a resident of the United States before September, 1952, but by the end of 1952 he had "abandoned any intent to return to the United States and made plans to reside in Switzerland permanently."



CHARLIE CHAPLIN

a visit to Europe the US Government announced it would oppose his return.

The Government, he said, raised a question of "moral turpitude" against him.

Chaplin said he "interpreted this statement to mean that he would be prohibited from re-entering the United States."

The Government contends that between January 1, 1953 and April 10, 1953, Chaplin was a resident alien and from April

### Bought Home

He said he had bought a home in Switzerland, organized a corporation to carry on his film activities and sold his US home and studio holdings, intending "not ever again thereafter to engage in trade or business in the United States."

He contended that "at all times" after December 31, 1952, he was a non-resident alien of the United States, did not further engage in business here, and was not therefore subject to United States tax laws.

Chaplin gave his present address as Manoir de Ban, Corsier Sur Yveroy, Switzerland.

Chaplin's appeal to the tax court presented the internal revenue service with the problem of collecting any deficiency that might ultimately be decided upon.

Since Chaplin is a British subject residing in Switzerland and faced with accusations of tax evasion in the United States it "appears to present some intriguing, if not insurmountable problems," the official said.

He admitted that it was not clear yet how the Government might go about collecting any tax deficiency ultimately assessed.—United Press.

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## RUMANIA CUTS ARMY BY 40,000 Falls Into Step With New Kremlin Policy

Vienna, Aug. 30.

Communist Rumania today got in step with the Kremlin's new "European disarmament programme" with the announcement that the army will be cut by 40,000 men by next December 1.

Rumania is the third member of the Communist European bloc to make such an announcement. Others of the Soviet satellite nations are expected to fall in line quickly.

Western observers view the move as a manoeuvre to put increasing pressure on the United States to remove its forces from Europe and to convince the world that the Soviet Union has only peaceful intentions.

Russia led off the campaign on August 13 with the announcement that the Soviet army would be cut by 649,000 men. Czechoslovakia followed on August 14 by announcing a troop cutback of 34,000 men.

Communist Poland, Hungary and Bulgaria are expected to take similar steps in the next few weeks, informed sources said.

### Civilian Life

No reliable information has ever been released by Russia or its satellites on current troop strengths, so no one outside the Iron Curtain has any way of knowing whether the cuts are actually made.

It was noticed here that the Rumanian announcement made no mention of the demobilised men returning to civilian life, but said instead that they would be "transferred to construction and building projects."

Rumania's regular forces are estimated at about 200,000 men, with another 200,000 mobilised into semi-military organisations such as frontier guards, security forces and workers' battalions.

The strength of the Soviet forces in Rumania is estimated at nearly one division.—United Press.

## KABAKA ON HOLIDAY

Cannes, Aug. 30.

Kabaka Mutesa II of Buganda arrived here today with his brother, Prince Niteza for a short holiday, part of which will be spent as guest of the Aga Khan.

The 30-year-old Kabaka was deposed by the British Colonial Office in 1954 for "failing to co-operate loyally" with the Government but will be allowed to return to his homeland as a constitutional monarch under an agreement signed earlier this month. He is expected to return by November.—China Mail Special.

## SCIENTISTS WILL USE SIMPLE LANGUAGE

Bristol, Aug. 30.

Britain's top-ranking scientists settle down here today to tell the British public about such subjects as nuclear physics and other scientific topics.

A total of 400 physicists, chemists, geologists, engineers, will be convening for the 11th conference of the British Association for the Advancement of Science.

For a week, until September 7, they will read papers on such subjects as nuclear physics and symbolic logic in language guaranteed "as far as possible" to be "intelligible to the scientist working in other fields and to the layman interested in the subjects."

On the programme this year are talks on the genetic problems of irradiated human populations; the psychological trouble with people who hate shades of green and brown; space flight; cosmic rays; pioneering in Canada; rocket research and the behaviour of metals inside atomic piles.

One team of researchers will discuss "the psychological characteristics of people who blush easily."

Archaeologists and anthropologists will spend some time reporting on cannibalism and the burial practices of various races.

Economists are devoting themselves to passing on information in incentives and productivity, taxation and income and the rationalisation of wages.

Engineers will report on the methods of using fuel in a nuclear power programme.—China Mail Special.

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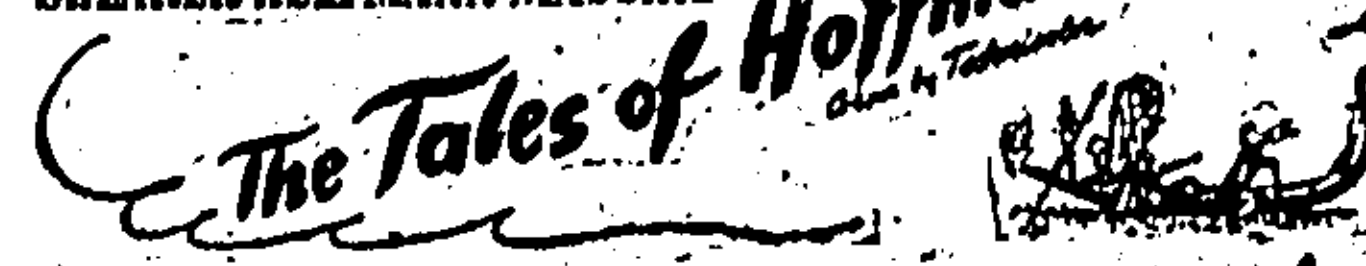


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## AMERICA-JAPAN SECURITY TREATY

## Shigemitsu Wants Greater Share Of Own Defence REVISION REQUESTED

Washington, Aug. 30.

During the question period following his prepared speech at the National Press Club today, Japanese Foreign Minister Mamoru Shigemitsu reiterated his desire to secure a revision of the Japanese-American Security Treaty to give his country a greater share in its own defence.

He said: "I should like very much to raise that question while I am here and I should like to explain our position very clearly and frankly to our friends in the American Government."

In reply to another question, Mr. Shigemitsu predicted that the efforts to merge the Japanese Liberal and Democratic Parties into a single Conservative Party will be successful.

"I am sure we shall be able to consolidate the conservative elements in Japan," he said. In answer to the question as to who should be Premier under a merger, he laughingly replied: "I may refuse to be Premier."

The Japanese Foreign Minister also predicted that the conservative elements in Japan eventually would succeed in getting the Constitution revised to eliminate the section prohibiting rearmament.

In response to a question on that subject, he said: "Although the Bill to amend the Constitution was turned down by the Socialists, we are going to try our best to get our Constitution revised. I feel sure that we will be quite successful in the attempt to revise the Constitution in this respect."

## Most Anxious

Mr. Shigemitsu said his Government was most anxious to achieve "normal relations" with South Korea but was finding it difficult to resolve the differences between the two countries.

"We are prepared to make all sorts of concessions," he said. "As for the South Korean demand for property restitution, we are glad to do that. But still we have lots of difficulties. We must be very patient."

The Foreign Minister turned aside, with indirect answers, two questions concerning the impact of Japanese products on American markets.

When he was asked, "What are you doing over there to allay the fears of American textile producers about competition from Japanese goods?" Mr. Shigemitsu replied: "I think your requirements are enough to consume our good textiles too."

Replying to a question as to

whether the Japanese Government was considering a voluntary programme to restrict tuna exports to the United States, he replied: "My only answer is that I wish you would eat more tuna."

## Other Questions

Among the replies that Mr. Shigemitsu gave to a number of other questions, he said that:

1. He, personally, advocated birth control, to hold down the Japanese population and reduce the political and economic effects of overcrowding.

2. There are less than one million registered Communists in Japan, "but there are many millions under Communist influence. We just let them go as long as they do not disturb the peace and order of our country."

3. "We shall be able to make some sort of adjustment on the Japanese tax rate on foreigners if it is required." Asked whether he did not believe that (1) many foreign businessmen would leave Japan, and (2) Japan's economy would suffer if the tax on foreigners is raised next January to the same high levels at which the Japanese are taxed (foreign businessmen contend that this does not constitute equality because Japanese firms, by different systems of paying employees, enable them to escape high taxes), Mr. Shigemitsu replied:

"We shall be able to make some adjustment if it is required but I hope that our foreign friends will not leave Japan just because they are being taxed the same as the Japanese."

4. The US has not offered to help Japan pay its reparations debts and the offer would not have been accepted anyway. "We are determined to pay our reparations debts ourselves."

5. He felt "disqualified" to answer a question as to whether Japanese war criminals received fair trials, because "You know how I feel."

6. He hopes the Japanese baseball teams defeat the New York Yankees when the latter visit Japan after the World Series.

The first question asked Mr. Shigemitsu was: "If Japan had won the war, is it likely that the US Secretary of State would now be addressing the Tokyo Press Club?"

He replied: "I wish it were the case."—United Press.

## Russian Theologians To Visit Germany

Bielefeld, Aug. 30. Soviet theologians of the Russian Orthodox church are soon to visit West Germany to study and lecture here, a spokesman for the Evangelical church said today.

Several theology professors are to give guest lectures at West German universities while a group of theology students has accepted an invitation to study at a university here during the summer term 1956.

The invitations to the Russian theologians was handed over recently to Patriarch Alexei head of the Russian Orthodox church by a group of West German churchmen visiting the Soviet Union at his invitation, the spokesman said, and the patriarch had accepted.

Patriarch Alexei received the Germanists at his summer residence at Odessa in the Ukraine. They are on a several weeks' visit to the Soviet Union. —China Mail Special.

## SCIENTISTS AT HARWELL



Scientists from many nations, including Iron Curtain countries visiting Harwell, the British Atomic Research Station. Picture shows: a party of the delegates leaving the new heavy water reactor R 445, first of the new DIDO class reactors, which is seen in the background nearing completion.—Express Photo.

## ISRAEL ACCUSES EGYPTIANS Continuous Attacks

London, Aug. 30.

The Israeli Embassy in London tonight issued a communique accusing Egypt of launching "a continuous series of attacks" on the Gaza frontier strip between Egypt and Israel and described the situation as "most serious."

The Israeli communique claimed that since Egypt walked out of the frontier talks with Israel last week, Israeli patrols, villages and civilians had been continuously attacked.

## Ban On Inhuman Punishment

Geneva, Aug. 30.

The first United Nations congress on prevention of crime and treatment of offenders today approved a "prisoners charter" prohibiting "all cruel, inhuman or degrading punishments."

It adopted a set of 95 standard minimum rules which would ban corporal punishment, chains, irons and strait jackets and punishment by placing in a dark cell for disciplinary offences.

Except in special circumstances prison staff should not be armed. Among guiding principles the rules state: "The purpose and justification of a sentence of imprisonment... is ultimately to protect society against crime. This end can only be achieved if the period of imprisonment is used to ensure so far as possible that upon his return to society the offender is not only willing but able to lead a law-abiding and self-supporting life."

## Assistance

To this end all remedial, educational, moral and spiritual forms of assistance should be applied.

Treatment of prisoners, the "charter" says, should emphasize not their exclusion from the community but their continuing part in it. Every institution should have social workers to maintain and improve the prisoners' relations with their family and with social agencies.

There should be "governmental or private agencies capable of lending the released prisoner efficient after-care directed towards the lessening of probability against him and towards his social rehabilitation."—Reuter.

It also alleged that one civilian was murdered last night at Yavneh, 25 miles south of Tel-Aviv, well inside the frontier and that four other civilians were killed near Ness Tziona, 15 miles south of Tel-Aviv.

The Embassy communique alleged that the Israelis were the victims of attacks by persons who had infiltrated into Israel from Egyptian territory.

## Responsibility

The communique declared: "The Government of Israel is prepared as ever to observe the provisions of the armistice, but it will take whatever measure will be called for to safeguard the life and property of its citizens."

It added that responsibility for breaking off negotiations "must rest squarely upon Egypt."

The communique claimed that since the talks broke off Egypt had attacked 13 Israeli villages, and 12 Israeli patrols, and had violated Israeli air space seven times.

It said that eight Israelis had been killed and 20 injured in these incidents.—France-Press.

## SUDANESE REFUGEES

Paris, Aug. 30. Sudanese officials and other refugees have crossed the frontier from the Sudan into the French central African territory of Oubangui Char, French officials revealed today.

The refugees were natives of the North Sudan who had been living in the South. The South Sudanese have threatened the Northerners during the recent wave of mutinies and disturbances.

The Governor of Oubangui Char Province has been instructed to take any action required.—France-Press.

## RITA SHOCKED BY SEPARATION

RITA Hayworth, the film actress, was described today as so emotionally shocked by her separation from Dick Haymes that she was confined to her bed.

Miss Hayworth, who announced yesterday that she was leaving Mr. Haymes, had been due to appear in a Federal court today for a hearing on her breach of contract suit against Columbia Pictures.

The hearing was adjourned until November 15 after her lawyer filed an affidavit signed by Dr. Fred V. Cetini which said:

"The separation was such an emotional shock that I have ordered her to bed for several days. She was so upset I prescribed sedatives for her. Her health would be endangered if she were forced to attend the trial."

Miss Hayworth said yesterday she had walked out on Mr. Haymes "in the best interests of my children, Dick and myself."

Meanwhile Mr. Haymes wept at Miss Hayworth's sudden departure and declared that if the registered film star did not return to him "I can't go on."

"If she divorces me I don't know what I will do," the crooner sobbed into a reporter's ear. "I probably won't take a bottle of sleeping pills but I will feel mighty miserable. A man is only in love once and I have been in love with Rita for 18 years. She is the most beautiful woman in the world."

Friends of Miss Hayworth said she resented Mr. Haymes' alleged "Svensen" methods of trying to dominate her film career. Though many believed Rita was definitely through with

the singer, her fourth husband, others felt their legal problems might bring them together.

Mr. Haymes, an Argentine, is placing his hopes for United States citizenship on his marriage to Miss Hayworth. Rita needs Haymes' testimony in her breach of contract suit against Columbia studios which she is suing for \$150,000 in her contention that the studio broke an agreement to start filming "Joseph and his Brethren" last March 6.

Rita is also believed to fear that her third husband, Prince Aly Khan, might use the breakup of her marriage to Mr. Haymes as an argument to gain full custody of his daughter, Yvonne.

Rita's older daughter is by her second marriage to Orson Welles.—China Mail Special.

## SCOTCH UP TOMORROW

Edinburgh, Aug. 30.

Maximum price for standard brands of Scotch whisky will be raised on September 1 by one shilling to 36 shillings a bottle in Britain, the Scotch Whisky Association announced.

This is the first increase in 4½ years.—China Mail Special.

## Woman Exposed To Radiation

Brescia, Rome, Aug. 30.

An attractive Italian woman doctor carried on with her vacation today despite fears that she is suffering from over-exposure to deadly isotope radiation.

Reporters who traced Dr. Ines Marini to her vacation hideout here obtained her admission to over-exposure.

"But it's not serious," she said. Curiosity about the attractive woman doctor arose after Prof. Aldo Protti of the Ancona Medical Institute, where she worked, announced she was suffering from the effects of nuclear radiation.

He said Dr. Marini was exposed while treating patients with radioactive isotopes in the Institute's cancer centre.

Dr. Marini said she felt perfectly well and intended to stay on with the holiday she is spending with her fiancé, Enzo Boletti, who was repatriated from a Russian prisoner-of-war camp only last November. —United Press.

## One-Man Invasion Of Kashmir

Karachi, Aug. 30.

Islam Salmani, a Pakistani law student, told reporters here today that he plans a one-man "Goa-style" protest invasion of the Indian occupied part of Kashmir on September 13.

He said that on his lone satyagraha (peaceful demonstration) he would take a white dove which he would release at the border. Tied to its leg would be a message insisting in the name of Pakistan on Kashmir's right to choose its own government.

Pakistan has long demanded a plebiscite in Kashmir, the territory disputed by the two dominions since the partition of the sub-continent.

## Barbers' Union

About two years ago Islam Salmani made vociferous efforts to raise the status of barbers, including the organisation of an all-Pakistan barbers' association. He comes from a family of barbers.

The acting Governor-General of Pakistan, Major-General Iskander Mirza, has not dealt with a letter from the West Pakistan Christian Community Labour League seeking the "Queen's blessing" for a mass satyagraha on Indian-occupied Kashmir on September 15.—Reuter.

London, Aug. 30. British paratroops so often break their false teeth while jumping that the British Government has ordered a research into nylon dentures, it was disclosed at the British National Pharmaceutical Congress at Aberdeen today.—France-Press.

## Invitation To Arab States SITUATION IN NORTH AFRICA

Baghdad, Aug. 30.

Saudi Arabia today delivered a non-committal reply to Iraq's invitation for a meeting of the Foreign Ministers of the Arab states to discuss the situation in North Africa.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Burhanuddin Hashimani is said to have received a reply that was "neither an acceptance nor a rejection."

Authoritative quarters said they understood that Saudi Arabia had raised the point that the invitation had not come through the Arab League. They pointed out, however, that any Arab Government is entitled to call a meeting of the League or a consultation at Government level.

The meeting, these sources believed, would take up, besides the North Africa issue, the statement issued by US Secretary of State John Foster Dulles urging a settlement of the Arab-Israeli difficulties.—United Press.

## BATTLE of BRITAIN WEEK—September 11th—18th GALA PREMIERE

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## Earl Of Home On Tour Of Commonwealth

London, Aug. 30. The Earl of Home, Secretary for Commonwealth Relations, left here by air tonight for New York on his way to New Zealand to begin an extensive Commonwealth tour.

At the airport he said he would spend a fortnight in New Zealand, a month in Australia and about a week each in Ceylon, India and Pakistan.

He added: "I have not any particular mission, but my object is to meet the Prime Ministers of all the countries concerned and make acquaintances of leading personalities."

The Earl said he particularly hoped to see a good deal of the agricultural and industrial developments in New Zealand and Australia and would visit the Snowy River power scheme and Woomera rocket range.

He is expected to return to Britain early in November.—Reuter.

## Fine Wished Schmidts The Best

New York, Aug. 30.

Alfred Fine, the young logger who was left out in the cold when Una Schmidt went back to her airman husband, was quoted today as saying he wished them "nothing but happiness."

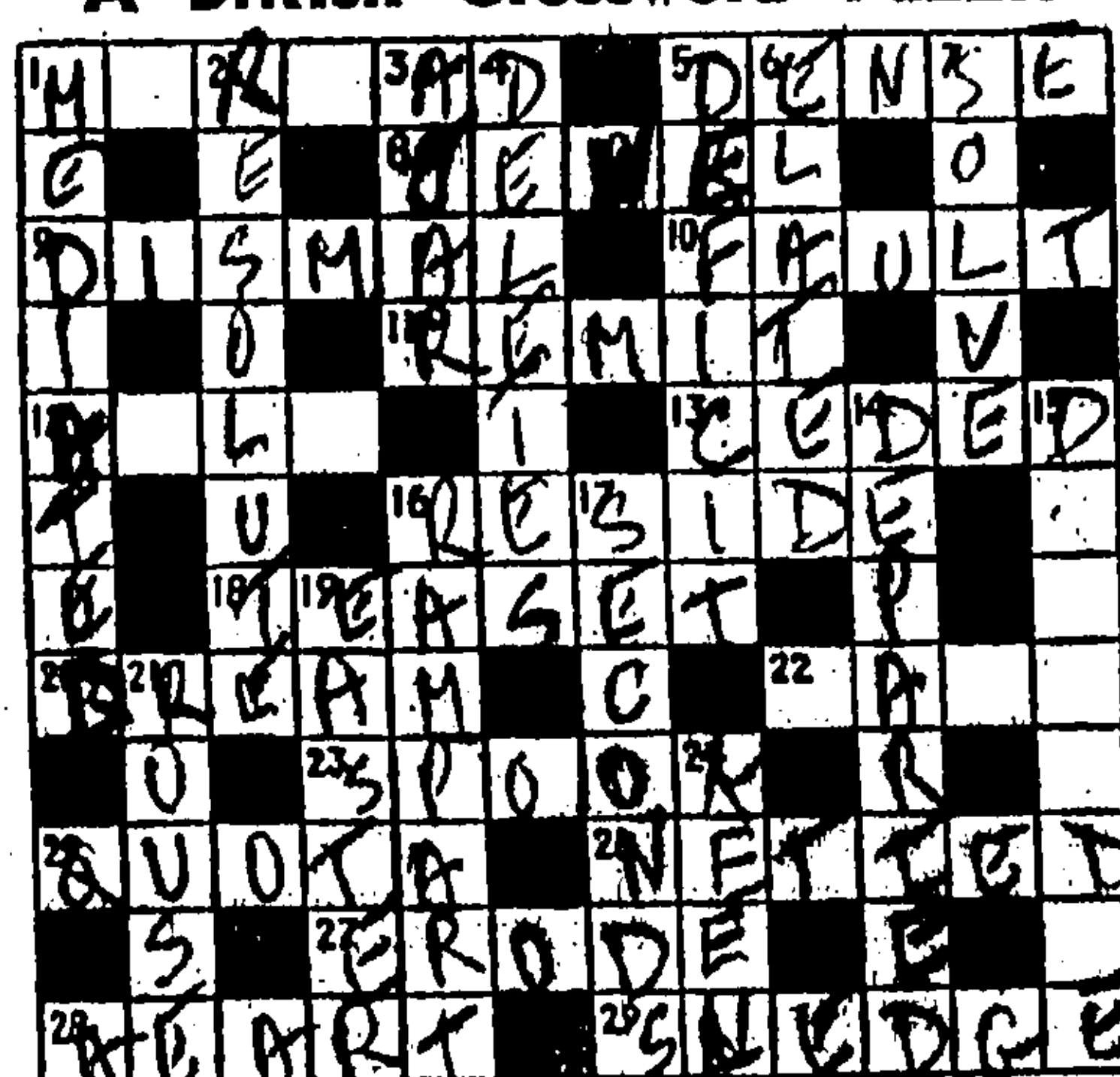
"And that goes for all three of them—for Una, for Danny, and for Danny Junior," he said in an interview with the San Francisco Call-Bulletin.

The newspaper said that it had reached Fine in his auto trailer at an undiscovered spot, some miles from San Francisco.

## Vague

"It's been mighty tough since this thing broke," the 21-year old Fine said. "I'm planning to go far away—I'll probably travel all over the United States before I can get over it." "I wished her well," he said. "I still love her, but I'm not going to do anything about trying to get her back."—United Press.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS:
- Large number (8).
  - Stupid (5).
  - Gem (5).
  - Dreary (6).
  - Defect (5).
  - Send (5).
  - Clever (6).
  - Granted (5).
  - Dwell (5).
  - Crookery (6).
  - Roverie (5).
  - Kind of armour (4).
  - Apparition (5).
  - Ration (5).
  - Snared (6).
  - Eat away (5).
  - Core (5).
  - Snow carriage (6).

- DOWN:
- Acted as go-between (8).
  - Determined (8).
  - Half open (4).
  - Expunges (7).
  - Shrugging (7).
  - Delighted (5).
  - Find the solution (5).
  - Left (8).
  - Shift (8).
  - Fortification (7).
  - Supports (7).
  - Church festival (6).
  - Star (5).
  - Bottom of a ship (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD. — Across: 1. Spread, 5. Pickle, 8. Bear, 9. Rumpus, 11. Ornate, 12. Extend, 14. Glut, 16. Canoe, 18. Green, 19. Pest, 20. Rushed, 24. Theme, 25. Tonics, 26. Sooth, 27. Salt, 28. Recess. Down: 1. Sure, 2. Ripe, 3. Alet, 4. De-sert, 5. Produce, 6. Clamant, 7. Stemmed, 10. Exile, 13. Ignites, 14. Gentool, 15. Undress, 17. Aspen, 19. Pastor, 21. House, 22. Dine, 23. Asks.



## DID IT HAPPEN?

## MABEL

● There was a certain bond between us—possibly because we had both entered Holloway on the same day. But did this story actually happen? Tomorrow the answer will be published.

"IT'S not right, you know, dear," she said in her rich cockney voice. "It's not right at all." I took the scissors that Mabel handed to me. "Mmm?" I mumbled as I snipped the thick thread.

Mabel looked away from me and the words slithered out of the corner of her mouth. "Us being here... in this place, I mean."

I felt inclined to agree but, having known Mabel for just over three weeks, I knew that she preferred a one-sided conversation, and that it would continue in a second or two without any prompting from me.

## Teddy Boy

"Must show you a snap of Fred," whispered Mabel. "You might call him one of the original Teddy Boys—but with more poise—if you know what I mean."

Mabel smiled, as though the memory of Fred's "poise" pleased her. I refrained from reminding her of earlier recollections of Fred—related by her to me—had not been favourable. For it seemed that any balance that the original Teddy Boy may have possessed in his own mind, he had lost by side with Mabel, in the dock at Bow Street, protesting his innocence and endorsing Mabel's guilt. "And me—approved school, Borstal and all that—I didn't stand no chance," in Mabel's own words.

And that is how it came about that Mabel and I met in Holloway Gaol, where I, too, was serving the beginning of my prison sentence.

I didn't see a great deal of Mabel except in the work-room where we sat at the same table, and occasionally on exercise around the narrow stone paths; but there was a certain bond between us, possibly due to the fact that we'd entered Holloway on the same day.

I don't suppose Mabel and I would have found much in common if we had met in the outside world, but odd friends flourish in the cloistered existence of the convicted, born of familiarity and fostered by the—probably misplaced—sense of injustice that unites all those who have fallen foul of the law.

I found myself watching Mabel more and more as time dragged by. There was something about her that fascinated me. She certainly wasn't pretty—or even good-looking—but there was an aliveness about her; a sort of glow which owed nothing to make-up and overcame the prison pallor which, in some degree, marked all our faces.

She was a good worker and her needle flew at a speed I envied, in spite of her constant, and often humorous, flow of chatter. We all talked without moving our lips, like ventriloquist. However, I suppose our efforts were somewhat amateurish as we were constantly reprimanded for talking by one of the officers.

I didn't work over-hard while I was at Holloway. Most of the time I was in the prison hospital, but I could still earn a shilling a week, in the work-room, regardless of the number of garments I completed.

## Dizzy sum

Mabel worked at feverish speed and her earnings usually amounted to elevenpence halfpenny. This dizzy sum she spent entirely on sweets, for which



I WAS told that Mabel had been involved in a fight with another woman...

address from Bet and send you a Christmas card—both be out by then but I might be anywhere."

I did as she asked but I never saw Mabel again.

Three weeks after my release from the Prison-without-Bars I received by post, a small, carefully done-up parcel.

Inside, amid layers of cotton-wool, lay a beautiful cigarette lighter, bearing the name of a well-known maker.

There was a crumpled note wrapped around it. It was from Mabel. It said that she and Fred had been reunited—that they were to be married in a few weeks, and that the lighter was to remind me of her.

I was touched by the unexpected Christmas present, but the letter had no address at the top, and there would be no way of thanking her.

I turned over the small piece of paper. The words I read caused me to reflect that Fred wasn't the only one with poise. Mabel had written:

P.S.—"I'm working in a tobacco-shop now."

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## DID IT REALLY HAPPEN?

YES NO

Put your tick in the space above and keep this panel by you until tomorrow when the answer will be given—with another story in this series by

C. S. Forester

Did yesterday's story—The Pocket-Sized Cyprian by Lillian Viles—actually happen? The answer is YES

she had a passion, and as I felt that the two cigarettes a week which were all I could afford, would only increase my craving for nicotine, I usually bought a sixpenny bag of fruit pastilles and gave her half.

This was not an entirely unselfish gesture on my part: in return Mabel helped me fit my new shirt—a task that I found very difficult—and before Mabel's assistance, were usually pulled apart by the officer in charge, when submitted them for inspection.

## Endearing

In spite of Mabel's record (she had been convicted for receiving but owned to being an inveterate shoplifter—"seems soft to pay, dear, when the shops are stacked with things they'll never miss") she had her own form of integrity and loyalty, which made her a favourite with the other women.

Except for her first outburst against Fred, she never showed any further resentment towards him. He was "her boy," and she hadn't been brought up to expect anything of anyone. No matter that she had nearly a year to do and that Fred would be out in four months.

There was a fifty-fifty chance that Fred would be waiting for her—poise and all.

One morning, Mabel wasn't in her accustomed place at the work-room table. I was in the prison hospital at that time, but went to work with the rest of the prisoners.

I was told that Mabel had been involved in a fight with another woman, and was confined to her cell prior to seeing the governor. My informant wasn't clear about the cause of the battle, but the general view was that Mabel might lose remission over the episode.

A few days later as we were lining up for exercise outside the hospital cello, I saw Mabel. She changed places so that she could walk with me and told me that she had been moved into the hospital that morning. I imagined—for observation.

## 'Not fair'

"It's not right, you know, dear," she said—but with rather less conviction than usual—as we walked round the exercise ground, our long blue cloaks providing scant protection from the cold wind. "It's not right moving me into this place. I'm not ill or anything, and I'd got a real nice cell with a hot-water pipe running through it—amazing for drying things—it's not fair."

She didn't tell me what the row had been about and I didn't ask her. I saw Mabel at odd moments after that. She worked in the laundry and always insisted on washing and pressing my tie before had a visit, and once presented me with a small gift safety-pin, which became my most valuable possession.

After I had been at Holloway two months, I was told that I was being sent to an open prison in Yorkshire. That Sunday, Mabel made signs to me in Chapel that she'd heard the news, and in a whispered conversation outside the Governor's office the following morning, bade me goodbye.

"It's not right, Joan, I should be going too, but good luck all the same. I'll get your

## THE END OF A NOT-SO-PERFECT HOLIDAY

BY GILES



"Sergeant, we want reinforcements or extra pay for looking after this lot until someone claims 'em."

By XAN FIELDING

## SPOIL-SPORTS DON'T MAKE GOOD SPIES

Men who grumbled were failed at Pemberley... the secluded country house where Britain trained her spies for war.

"HAVE you any objection to committing murder?" "None," I answered. And that was the end of the interview.

For the next three days I was initiated into the mysteries of plastic high-explosive, slow-burning fuses, detonators and primer-cord, and was given detailed instruction in the most effective method of blowing up a railway line.

And that was all the training I received before being infiltrated into enemy-occupied Crete (where no railway has ever existed).

It was 1941. By 1943 the organisation of subversive activities had been put on a more professional basis, and every potential agent was required to undergo an intensive course in sabotage, unarmed combat, silent killing and general skulduggery. This training is no longer a secret. It is fully described in a new book.

The author, Dr. William J. Morgan, is an American psychologist. SPIES AND SABOTEURS, by Dr. William J. Morgan. (Gollancz, 13s. 6d.)

On the hottest day in the summer of 1943 I was ushered into a small, stuffy room in a Washington building and faced by two strangers who asked him the following questions:

"Are you willing to undertake hazardous duties?" "To parachute from an aeroplane behind enemy lines?" "To be landed by a submarine on an enemy coast?"

## A recruit

To all of which he answered "Yes," and so found himself recruited into the Office of Strategic Service (OSS), the American equivalent of our own Special Operations Executive (SOE), which I had joined in much the same way two years before.

But he still didn't know what OSS was all about, and nobody would tell him.

I can imagine how he felt, for I suffered myself from the same sort of excessive zeal for secrecy. I, too, found every one's lips sealed when I first reported for duty in Cairo. No one would even tell me where to report. Fortunately the problem was solved by an Egyptian taxi-driver. "Ah, yes, sir," he grinned. "I know where you want. Secret House"—and drove me straight to SOE Headquarters.

Dr. Morgan got out of his difficulty in an equally simple manner. He walked into a library, asked for the newspaper files on the daily Press and was going to be shown straight back to the States for psychological duties in Washington.

"A psychologist is a pretty useful guy to have around," he protested. "Don't you need any here?"

All this luggage went astray somewhere between Edinburgh and King's Cross, and he never saw it again. But, as things turned out, he didn't really need it; for when he reported to OSS Headquarters in Grosvenor Street, he was told that instead of being parachuted into enemy-occupied territory for clandestine activities in the field he was to be flown straight back to the States for psychological duties in Washington.

"A psychologist is a pretty useful guy to have around," he protested. "Don't you need any here?"

"That all depends, Lieutenant. Are you willing to work with the British?"

## Down to earth

He was willing; and thus it was that he found himself at Pemberley.

Pemberley was a secluded country house which the War Office had taken over as a Selection Assessment Board for potential spies of all nationalities. Dr. Morgan was attached to it as a Military Testing Officer, and his duties consisted of observing the reactions and judging the capabilities of every candidate who underwent the strenuous four-day course.

The grounds of Pemberley must have looked rather like an open-air gymnasium. Fifteen-foot obstacles were dotted about the lawns; ropes hung from the trees; staking-ladders were propped against the garden walls; barbed-wire entanglements were stretched across the paths; wooden pits lay beneath the ponds. It was a Boy Scouts or a Tarzan's dreamland.

Under the constant supervision of Dr. Morgan, the candidates spent most of their time swinging from trees, leaping, launching themselves off planks, forming, and spinning up scurrying webs. But they were given a little more than a bump—literally, as a result of a fall, or metaphorically, or being told that they were doing it all wrong. For these gymnastics called for more than muscular strength and courage; they required ingenuity for improvisation and countless other qualities—word, also brought into play.

## Grin purpose

Most of the candidates fully entered into the spirit of the game, for at Pemberley a sport hadn't a hope of success. One man, a professional ping-pong player, refused to face the obstacles. "If I do what you ask me," he complained, "I may ruin my hands. I make a living with my hands."

He was failed automatically. So was the high-ranking executive in a multi-billion-dollar American corporation who kept growling, "This is a damn fool test."

In spite of the grin, purpose for which it was designed, the course must have been a riot of good, clean fun. All the same, I'm glad I didn't have to go through it myself. Under the eagle eye of a practical psychologist like Dr. Morgan, I should have felt like a performing seal and stuffed each test out of sheer embarrassment.

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## NATHANIEL GUBBINS

WHAT will happen to astrologers and their predictions when the sky is full of new moons and man-made satellites?

In a year or two an American moon will be travelling round the earth from north to south at 18,000 miles an hour.

Seen after, or even before, a Russian moon will be whirling in space. A British moon is promised and from Washington comes the news that yet another moon will be seen shortly over New Mexico.

Old Moore Gubbins, the world famous astrologer, said in an interview yesterday: "I do not think men of my profession need worry unduly about the situation. During the war, when I viewed the heavens through an upturned glass in the black-out, I often saw several moons. This made no difference to my prophecies, which usually turned out to be accurate."

Asked if he thought an overcrowded sky would cause some confusion when predicting people's fortunes according to their birthdays, he said: "Not at all. Even if there were a thousand moons all contradicting each other, I could still write birthday predictions. In fact, almost anybody could write them and almost everybody will believe them."

What does Old Moore Gubbins think men will find on the real moon when they get there? He thinks they will probably find astrologers like himself who often see several moons at the same time and keep the moon wolf from the door writing prophecies and birthday forecasts.

"There's probably one fool born every minute even on the moon," he said. "On the subject of moon madness, O.M.G. was asked what would happen to people who go slightly round the bend at the rising of a new moon when there are hundreds of moons rising at different times."

"The answer to that is obvious," he said. "Instead of going barmy 12 times a year they will be barmy all the year round. But nobody will notice the difference as, in my opinion, most people are barmy all the year round now."

## A Beetle Writes...

FROM the correspondence column of the Animal's (Insects and Birds) Newspaper, edited by N. Gubbins, Esq., Sir,

My attention has been drawn to an article in a newspaper which refers to the potato eating Colorado beetle as a "destructive pest." The article also describes Britain's 1955 campaign against "these unwelcome invaders" and says:

"Out of 30 Colorado beetles destroyed so far this year 24 were found in imported produce, seven in ships and one discovered in a car brought from France."

Reading this I wonder if the fair-minded British public will observe any resemblance between the pioneering spirit of the Colorado beetle and the pioneering spirit of their own ancestors who founded the British Empire?

The fair-minded American public see in the heroic efforts of insects to enlarge their horizons something akin to the indomitable courage that urged the early settlers in America westwards across mountains, and desert to found new homes and till new lands in a crowded world.

No doubt the native Red Indians of North America and the aborigines of Australia regarded the white pioneers as "unwelcome invaders." Invaders are not welcome anywhere. They might also have been called "destructive pests" but their courage and endurance must have been admired even by their bitterest enemies.

Was General Wolfe regarded by the French as an unwelcome invader or a gallant enemy?

Did the Spaniards think of Drake merely as a destructive pest or as a sailor of unsurpassed skill and courage? And when they write of heroic beetles being "destroyed," did anybody ever say that Nelson was "destroyed" at Trafalgar?

I therefore ask all those who are not prejudiced to remember the 39 unknown beetles who died doing what they believed to be their duty.

I would like them particularly to remember the seven stowaways who faced death at sea with every man's hand against them, and the lone beetle, the true pioneer, who scorned the help and companionship of comrades and met his end, "unhonoured and unsung" in a car coming over from France.

Those who admire the founders of the British Empire and modern America have also criticised them for being ruthless exploiters hungry for land. If this is a crime the Colorado beetle is equally guilty. He is a ruthless exploiter hungry for potatoes.

But even if the motives and methods of man and beetle may be considered unworthy by the fastidious that is no reason why their achievements should not be recognised.

Yours faithfully,

A. BEETLE.

## Bumbling Love Letters

BEING a further instalment of the correspondence between Mr. George Bumbling and Mrs. Eliza Miffin, the voluptuous charwoman.

Dear Mr. Miffin, You was wonderful again Friday though I don't reckon you ought to take too much notice of what the lady reporters are writing about the fashions, is what.

After all you are tried the 4 line, the 3 line and the 2 line but was never built for

the new Y line which one lady says as no tips no waist and no bosom. I would rather see you as you always was with a proper B line as I seen sideways and no muckin' about with nature."

I am glad to hear that your wild parties was not given to stir up trouble and start strikes and that they was not paid for by red gold. All the same, even if your life insurance, as come due that is no way to spend it as we might need it for a rainy day and I reckon it would be safer in the post office.

Re your rehearsal as beauty queen, I reckon it was nothing but an excuse for another party as everybody knows beauty queens are ardy ever widows and must be 25 or under.

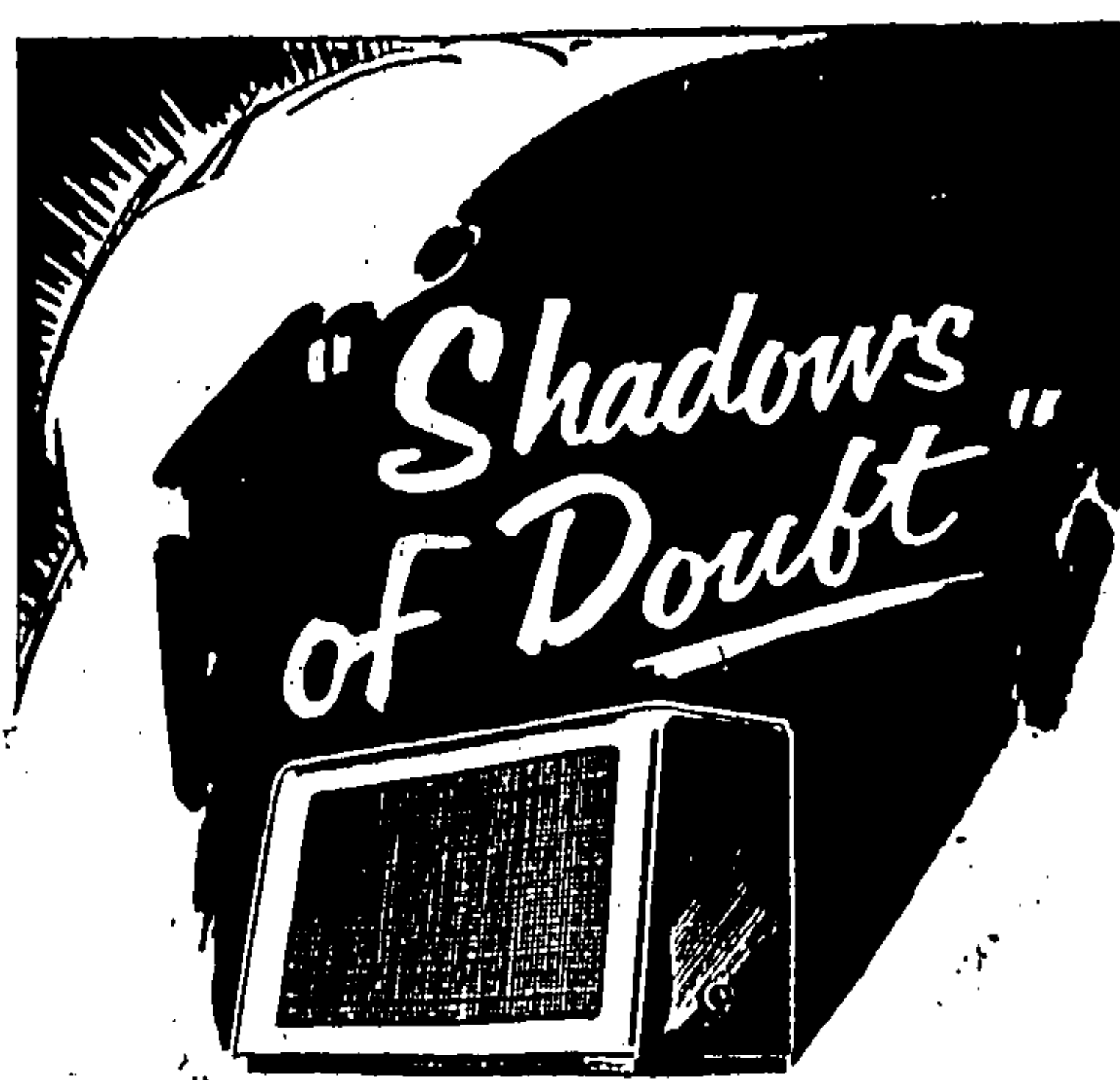
Whats more even if the Postman was taking the part of the mayor he knows that proper majors only takes the queens once and don't make a muck of them. No wonder they are a muck in the grass-roots to take the postman away from his wife.

What about that spiced up Yours truly, Bumbling (day again). Dear Mr. Bumbling, This is the first time I shall warn you not to interfere in my private affairs. If I want to spend my insurance money on parties I shall spend it on parties as I believe in enjoyin' yourself while you can.

Whats more I'm sick and tired of your ardy remarks about my clothes and now you come in the acid about my age and callin' me a snake in the grass I reckon it's time you found another lady friend.

If I appen to like the postman its because hes larky and sporty and not a grizzlin' mucky like you always laying down the law like a lord lid nobody. I shan't not be meetin' you same time same place Friday sharp as me and the postman are avin' a barbecue in the back garden with pork chops roasted over a fire.

Yours truly, Eliza Miffin (Mrs). (WORLD COPYRIGHT)



A human drama of life in a normal suburban family. Commencing on

September 1st, 1955

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REDIFFUSION

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

7.45—8.00 p.m.

Produced in Australia, this powerful serial story describes the effect on ordinary lives of the shadow of suspicion and disgrace, when the father of the family is arrested on a charge of embezzlement and his family and friends rally to his support and vindication.

This dramatic serial will be broadcasted to Hong Kong listeners through the courtesy of Colgate-Palmolive Co., makers of Colgate Dental Cream, FAB, Ajax Cleanser, and Cashmere Bouquet Soap.



## • BY • THE • WAY •

by Beachcomber

**DR STRABISMUS**—(Whom God Preserve) of Utrecht has at last perfected his new invention: the televisor. Mobile viewing is no longer a dream.

The screen rises from the ground, and moves slowly from room to room of a house, making an appalling noise to signal its approach. This allows anyone in any part of a house to watch the programmes.

Moreover, the screen, which is controlled from the ground by the Sphinx system, is not confined to the house. It can accompany a family into the garden, or even into the streets. In the street, the floating screen may, at first, cause some confusion and legislation will have to be introduced to circumscribe their movements. Parking places for televisors will be necessary.

### Dalliance in the Town Hall

A WOMAN councillor has pointed out that a woman councillor is a councillor first and a woman afterwards. Was there nobody at that meeting gallant enough to cry "Meet me afterwards?" Men will be men, as a yearning shout of "End!" showed during a lively debate on the quality of the new pipes for the water system. Forgetting that she was a councillor, the lady blushed and lowered her eyes. "Charming," ejaculated the chairman, and kissed her hand. The town clerk

said "Tek, Tek," audibly, but the softening influence of a good woman had done its work, and nobody cared twopence about the idiotic places. Even the local ratpayers' association sent her a dozen red roses. For to them, also, she was but a pretty little thing.

### Belgian widow shoots scarecrow

A PARAGRAPH about a man who "can throw a potato into the air and cut it in half before it descends" is no doubt being studied in all kitchens. If this man could throw several pounds of potatoes into the air and catch them as they fell he would be a useful addition to the staff. Otherwise his feat has only an academic interest, like that of the billsticker of North Shields, who boasted that he could skin a sardine with finger and thumb in three seconds. He was challenged, and failed completely. It was afterwards discovered that he was an infernal liar.

## • JACOBY ON BRIDGE

### Careful Game Makes Contract

By OSWALD JACOBY

TODAY'S hand, taken from last year's team championship, won by Harold Rockaway in the Texas Conference Regiment tournament, shows what a careful player Rockaway is.

West opened the king of hearts and then switched to a diamond. At both tables of the team championship the diamond switch was taken in dummy so that declarer could lead a spade from dummy and finesse the jack. At both tables, moreover, the jack of spades was allowed to hold the trick.

Here was where the two declarers parted company. One of the two continued with the ten of spades—an unwise choice. West played low, of course, and East won with the queen of spades. East returned a club,

and South had to lose a club

and the other spade trick, going down one trick at the game contract.

When Harold Rockaway was declarer, however, he continued trumps by leading the king. For one thing, this might happen to drop the queen. More important, however, it would surely force West to win the trick, and Rockaway wasn't a bit worried about any lead that could be made from the West hand.

As expected, West won the second trump trick with the ace. West couldn't afford to lead a club, so he returned a diamond in the hope of cutting communications between the South and North hands.

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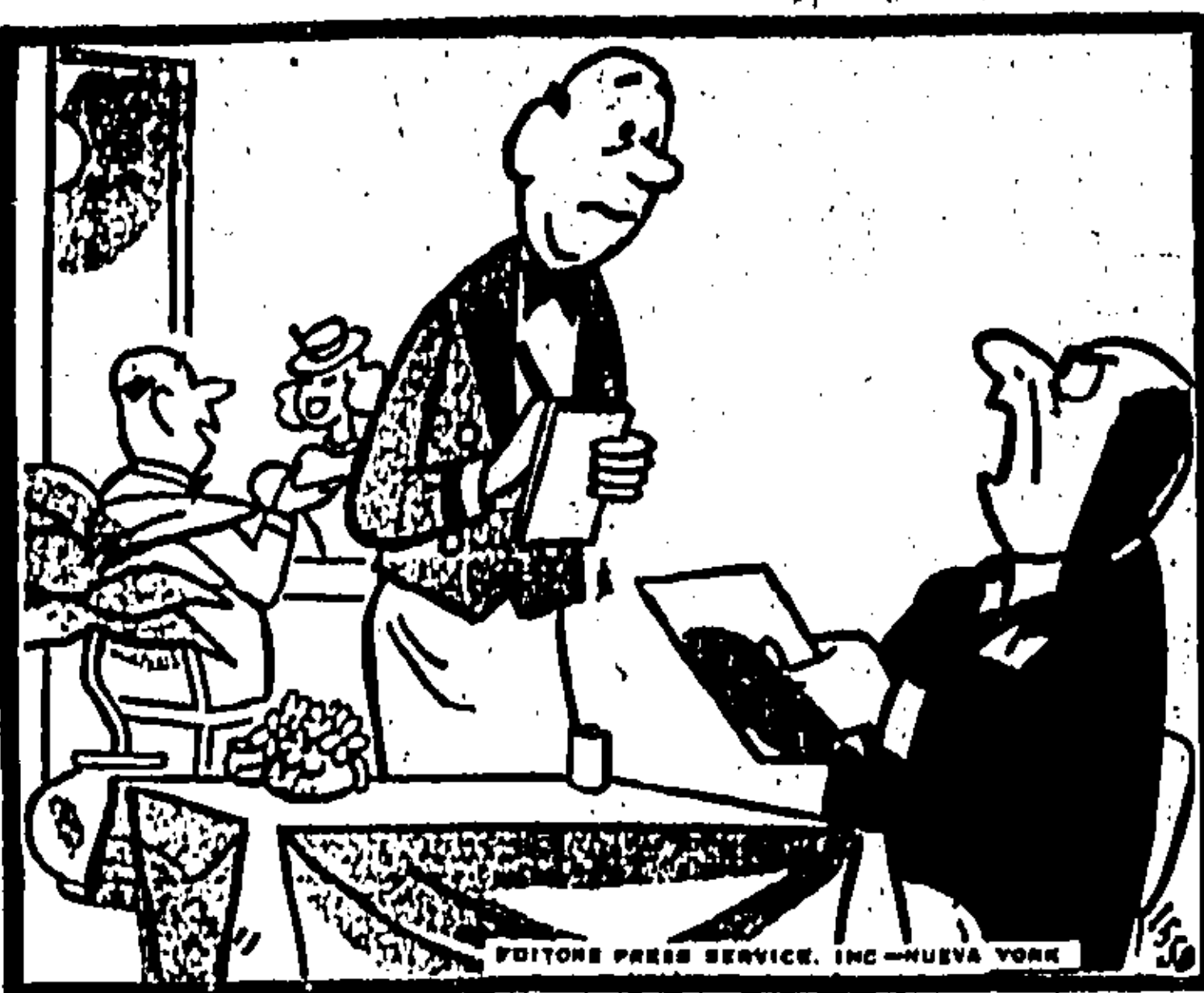
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## YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31

BORN today, you are one of those individuals apparently destined to fame and success. You may be born to rule—but, if not, you will rise to leadership through your own intellectual force and vigorous power. You know how to recognize opportunities; seize them and make the most of them at just the right moment. You are self-reliant and never depend upon others. Your "luck" actually, is your own push and energy, directed into constructive channels of activity.

Faith and courage are two elements that also will help you along the road to success. You have a regard for the kernel of good that lies within each individual, no matter how ill the exterior may appear. Hence, looking for good rather than evil, you find it and gain the confidence of those who look to you for help and guidance. Genuine and sincere in your affections, you attract friends wherever you go.

Among those born on this date are: Du Bose Heyward, and Elizabeth Stuart Ward, authors; Queen Wilhelmina of Holland; Emperor Yoshihito of Japan; Edward C. Janway, pathologist; Mary Putham Jacobs, pioneer woman physician; Frederick March, actor.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**

**VIRGO** (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—If you are considering changing your job, you might make application today for one you would enjoy.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Pay close attention to all work details today, for your job is of the utmost importance right now.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Avoid talking on too much. Dispute one responsibility before taking on anything else.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—A misunderstanding can lead to your making an incorrect supposition. If puzzled, seek out expert advice.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Don't interfere in the problems of others. You have enough fish of your own to fry!

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Be practical in all you do. Utopian schemes today are not the best idea.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Even if routine is irksome, stick to it, for by getting it done you will more nearly reach success.

**ARIES** (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—An objective point of view will be helpful today. You may want to look at it from more than one angle.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 21-May 21)—Protect your personal possessions. Loss might prove serious to your welfare and your future conduct.

**GEMINI** (May 22-June 21)—If you are realistic in tackling a personal problem, you should be able to solve it easily just now.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 23)—Don't talk too much about your future plans. Sit on the sidelines and listen while others give the advice.

**LEO** (July 24-Aug. 23)—Use common sense in romantic matters today. Emotions, alone, may not answer all the questions.

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## WOMANSENSE

### Imagination Plays Host At Gay Garden Parties

By IDA BAILEY ALLEN

ONE young couple I know has a large and lovely flower garden, where they do most of their entertaining for the year.

"All winter we go to cocktail and dinner parties, brunches, luncheons and buffets," this young matron remarked to me.

"Every occasion is delightful, but all of them copy the others. So, Tom and I decided to repay our social obligations with various types of garden parties, from late April to September, using as a setting the section of our garden loveliest at the time.

"In April we gave a daffodil brunch, with a ham and eggs cooked in a sunny spot where the daffodils are yellowest. In May, I gave a Japanese garden tea for my club near the flower beds where the iris were in bloom. Next, came a cocktail party against a backdrop of the lilac hedge.

"When the June roses bloomed, we had an outdoor Sunday buffet for just-married friends. This week we're giving a cocktail dinner featuring our own home-grown vegetables. Everybody has fun, including us."

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SHISH-KABOBS and corn wrapped in aluminum foil, sizzle over a charcoal grill. It's tasty fare for the guests.

**Fresh Corn-on-Cob Baked in Foil:** Husk the corn; place each ear on a square of aluminum foil. Sprinkle with salt, monosodium glutamate and ground black pepper. Top with a thin slice of butter or margarine.

**Turn the ends up and fold smooth against the corn. Bake 20-25 min. over the grill; turn twice to cook uniformly. Serve with the foil turned back.**

**Trick of the Chef**  
Wrap securely by making a double lengthwise fold on top.

**Dust shish-kabobs with dried mint for new flavour.**

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## Chelsea Will Not Give Up Their First Division Title Without A Battle

London, Aug. 30. Chelsea know it's tough at the top. They found out the hard way. But after 50 years of glorious and inglorious soccer they captured the coveted title of football Champions of England.

This season they will learn it's even tougher staying at the top. But the League Champions will not surrender their title without a battle.

Dismissing that shock 2-0 home defeat by Bolton on the first day of the new season. Forget that Chelsea played more like a bunch of fumbling, stumbling novices than the team that lifted the Blue Riband of English soccer last season. Champions Chelsea are at the top—and they mean to stay there.

Manager Ted Drake relied on his League-winning side for the Bolton game. The players who stayed the pace so well last season had earned the right to launch Chelsea into their first Championship year. But Drake is building all the time.

It was season's stalwarts fail to show, there are a number of talented young players ready, willing and able to step into their senior colleague's Division I boots.

### TEAM STRENGTH

Manager Drake has not been resting on his hard-won Championship laurels. During the close season he has followed a policy

of duplicating his first team positions, and there have been a number of notable additions to his reserve team strength.

Brian Nicholas, former school-boy and youth international right half from Third Division Queens Park Rangers, and Bill Livingston, tall, black-haired Scottish centre half from Reading, another Third Division side, figure high among Drake's important summer signings.

Both showed up well in Chelsea's trial matches, and despite a 6-1 drubbing by the first team in the final trial, Drake is confident that his reserves are sufficiently talented in most positions to take the plunge into Division I football.

He is not, however, undisciplined any of his youngsters getting an immediate place to the exclusion of the usual first team men. "I don't think last season's boys will let them get in," he says.

Chelsea lost that old Championship sparkle against Bolton,

but they will come again. Live-wire Eric Persson and thoughtful, shadow-man Johnny McNichol at inside-right form one of soccer's most dangerous wing pairs, and with roaming Roy Bentley spearheading the attack, Chelsea will soon be back on the goal standard.

Bishop Auckland amateur Seamus O'Connell and England star Frank Blunstone, complete a forward line that managed to punch holes in most Division I defences last season.

**AMATEUR STATUS** Blunstone should soon regain the form that put him on England's left wing now he has completed his army service, and O'Connell, though retaining his amateur status, has decided to devote his considerable talent solely to the London club.

The match most eagerly awaited by Chelsea fans this season is the FA Charity Shield match clash with FA Cup winners, Newcastle, at Stamford Bridge on September 14.

By that time Chelsea should have settled down to a high-table position, and given some indication of their chances this season.

"Everybody says it will be tougher, trying to keep on top," says manager Drake. "But it can hardly be tougher than it was getting away from the bottom."

And Chelsea know it's really tough down there—China Mail Special.

## Now Test Matches With The Russians?

By DESMOND HACKETT

And now comes the possibility of Test matches with Russia.

For the Russians want to take up cricket, they say in the latest edition of their magazine Soviet Sport.

They particularly want two English teams to go to Moscow to show off "this supreme English sport."

The magazine says: "If any nation can be held by one game such as the British Test matches of cricket then this must be a sport of high importance. We in Russia would like to see such a game."

And Viscount Cobham, 46-year-old president of the MCC said: "We of the MCC are willing to play cricket with anyone in the world."

**KREMLIN** Soviet Sport says that friendships are made through international sport and the magazine appeals to England to demonstrate cricket (and Rugby) over there.

The Russians hope to see our cricket and Rugby next June when England will, anyway, send a Soccer team for the opening of the new Moscow sports island, three miles from the Kremlin.

The magazine says that if English cricket and Rugby teams go to Moscow then the Russians will follow with invitations to sportsmen and women from the Commonwealth.

Viscount Cobham, who is also a former Worcestershire cricket captain, said on holiday at Colinton Raleigh, Devon: "This Russian invitation is quite new to me. But we would be delighted to play the Russians."

**AMERICANS TOO?** "Nothing but good could come of such a visit," "I do not think I should be likely to go to Moscow myself because of the next June Field Marshal Lord Alexander will have taken over my office of President of the MCC."

[This was the first announcement of Lord Alexander's appointment. The nomination is made by the retiring president.] Denis Compton was enthusiastic about the idea of cricket in Russia and of possible England-Soviet Tests.

He said: "It would be wonderful if visiting teams could give would have to learn to play, and I am sure they would be terribly good."

"It would be grand if the Americans took it up too. Then we would not have to worry so much about the Australians and the South Africans."

### HOME RUGGER

London, Aug. 30. Rugby League results: Dewsbury 12 Warrington 8; Doncaster 12 Batley 4; Rochdale H 12 Oldham 4.

—Reuters.



The occupant of the spot of honour this week is at the moment in Singapore but by his recent display of honest sportsmanship he makes himself as worthy to top the Sports Parade as any in the long list of his predecessors.

In the opening rounds of the South East Asian Boxing Championships on Monday FARELF Champion Jones, fighting in Hongkong colours, was beaten by Asian Games Champion C. Espinosa from Manila. Behind his actual appearance in the ring, however, there is a pleasant and reassuring story of genuine sportsmanship by the boxer, and of helpful co-operation by his Commanding Officer.

The story really starts when Henry Wong scored the narrowest of victories over Jones in the 1955 Colony Championships. So close was the contest that it is still argued among knowledgeable boxing folk who watched it, but let it be said there was never a word of complaint from Jones himself.

When the Singapore authorities suggested the current Championships, Jones was among the men selected to undergo preliminary training but eventually he was edged out of the final selection by a very much-in-form Henry Wong. Again there was no complaint from Jones although he must have been as keen as any other in the team to make the trip.

### VACANT BERTH

Almost at the last minute Henry Wong together with the other Chinese boxers withdrew from the team and an approach was made to Jones to take over the vacant Lightweight berth in the Colony line-up. Jones said that provided permission could be obtained for him to travel he would be glad to do whatever he could to help.

His Commanding Officer was most helpful and co-operative—a fact that is much appreciated by the officials of the Hongkong ABA—and Jones was once again an established member of the team. It looked as though everything was in order but a late breakdown in transport arrangements upset the plans and it looked as though Jones would after all miss his trip to Singapore.

But the Hon. Secy. of the HKABA who had been much impressed with Jones' co-operation still made every effort to get him to Malaya in time for his contest. Almost at the eleventh hour this was achieved and, although Jones was beaten, his willingness to travel and his readiness to fight made a big impression on those who did so much of the work behind the scenes in getting even the depleted Hongkong team into the ring in Singapore.

I think this is an excellent example of the old axiom that they will remember he fought longer after they have forgotten whether he won or lost.

**HOCKEY TRIALS** Players may come and play may go... but the game is greater than personalities and still goes on. This afternoon the officials of the Army (HK) Hockey Association stage the first of a series of trial games at Sookunpoo and eager eyes will be scanning the field looking for a few budding Malcolm Patters.

Some forty names have been received and it is known that among them there are several very good players. Today's games will involve players who are stationed in Hongkong and Kowloon and it is anticipated that several of those taking part may be in the final selections.

Another series of trials will be held at the same venue next Wednesday, Sept. 7, for those players who are stationed in the New Territories and they should again provide some lively competition for places in the Army teams.

A third series will be held again at Sookunpoo on Wednesday, September 14, when nominated players will be taking part. This game will give the selectors a pretty good idea of the potential strength at their disposal for the strenuous League games that lie ahead.

All three games will start at 3 o'clock and players are asked to be at the ground at least 30 minutes before the start.

**MOTOR CYCLE TRIAL** Last week I gave you some early notice of the forthcoming Hongkong and Kowloon Garrison Motor Cycle Trial. This popular event will take place on Wednesday, September 14, and is certain to attract a big entry.

The start and finish of the Trial will be at Sai Kung, and the organisers are planning a series of some 20 miles over track and cross-country.

With their usual ingenuity they are also selecting 20 hazards and that means that they will set a real challenge to the skill of the competitors.

although some of the riders who took part in the thrilling trial staged by 48 Brigades a few weeks ago will be keeping their fingers crossed whenever mud is mentioned as a possible hazard.

The Hongkong & Kowloon Garrison Challenge Cup will go to the Unit whose three riders win the team event while the riders will be rewarded with silver tankards. The riders in the second team will also receive tankards. This event is of course confined to units of the Hongkong & Kowloon Garrison.

Individual awards will go to the riders turning in the best performances on 500 cc and 350 cc machines while the runners-up in both events will receive tankards.

This event gives promise of being another interesting sporting occasion for it seems certain that many of the best riders in the Colony are planning to compete. If you can spare the time to go along and speculate I am sure you will be rewarded with some thrilling riding.

Any qualified Hockey Umpire who has not yet received a current registration form is asked to get in touch with the SOPT at HQF as soon as possible. This particularly applies to those who may have arrived in the Colony recently and missed the earlier notice on the subject.

**SOCCER TRIALS** Around this time every year folks in the Colony—both in and out of the Services—begin to ask questions about the possible strength of the Army football team. The Army has a special place in Hongkong football and there is always a general keenness to see them strongly represented.

Several trial matches have now been held. Many good players have been seen and duly noted by the officials. Several other promising players who arrived in the Colony recently have still to be given a run out. With this very object in view another trial is being staged at Sookunpoo this afternoon when most of the possibilities for the coming season will be in action.

It is still too early to guess at the eventual line-up but enough has been seen in the trial games to suggest that one or two of the players who were on the side at the end of last season are going to be hard pushed to retain their places.

**FIRST APPEARANCE** Particular interest in the game this afternoon will be centred on the first appearance of three players from 1 Bn. King's Own Royal Regiment. The players, Egerton (Belton), Wardroper, and McLaughlin (Bury) arrived on the last troopship and have had very little chance to get into top condition, but judging by comment in UK newspapers they should be of the greatest value to the team in the months ahead.

Army football fans will remember that on the eve of last season the same regiment provided Robson, Walmsley, and Wallace, who all won Colony honours, and no doubt they will be hoping that the new trio will play the same attractive and progressive football.

One reassuring feature of the trials so far has been the obvious good form of Lewis, now completely recovered from the injury that kept him out of the Senior Shield Final at the back end of last season. Crompton, the team captain, and Morris whose grand play gained him a very high placing in the Footballer of the Year Poll. These three have shown that they are fighting fit and raring to go.

When the series of trial games is complete the players selected as possibilities for the senior team will be brought together for a two-week concentrated training spell at Sookunpoo. A group of first-class advisers will be on hand to assist the players in their efforts to get fully fit and moulded into the team.

I am told that even those players who have previously attended this pre-season training are going to find things a bit different and certainly more strenuous than they were in the past.

## AROUND HOLLYWOOD

# MOVIE MOGULS ARE A POWERFUL BREED OF MEN

Says MICHAEL RUDDY

Beverly Hills.

Movie moguls are a powerful breed of men. They press buttons and a score of vassals jump. But over the whimsies of fate and the vagaries of fortune, they can do little, except try to cover themselves with a Lloyd's insurance policy. Example: Lana Turner was to have begun work with Richard Burton, Fred MacMurray, Michael Rennie and Co. in "The Rains of Ranchipur."

On her last day in Acapulco, on holiday, she slipped in the bathtub, fell on her back and head and suffered a brain concussion, her husband, Lex Barker, told me. "She's got to stay in bed at home for a fortnight," he said. "Rest and quiet. And I suppose they'll have to shoot around her."

I watched director Jean Negulesco plan a scene with Fred MacMurray and Joan Caulfield. The scene was in his bedroom in the Grand Hotel, Lahore. Fans whirled. Ice tinkled in a long glass as the players, hot, on edge in the steamy 'fool', sized up each other.

In the Cafe de Paris, over coffee, MacMurray talked about his farm near San Francisco. "I've sold all my Durhams and we now have 400 head of pedigree Angus. We breed," said the actor-farmer. "We don't try to compete in the meat market. But I've been thinking of getting some Highland cattle for meat. Jimmy Cagney told me about them. He has inspected a herd in Pennsylvania," MacMurray smiled. "Only two I've seen out here worked in 'Brigadoon'."

**SUSPENSE THRILLER** At the next table was novelist Nigel Balchin, writing the screen play of a new suspense thriller. He scripted "The Man Who Never Was", which stars my neighbour, Clifton Webb.

"I don't really like writing," he says, "but I dislike it slightly less than not writing." To me this is a cheerful attitude for a man being paid £120 a week. Mr. Balchin mentioned that he also has a special job with Rowntrees, the chocolate people. "It's rather hard to define. I'm a consultant for them, on the management level, y'know," he said. After thought: "I suppose the only really distinguished thing about me is that I sang in the Peterhouse chorals with James Mason. And very good he was too."

Very loyal indeed is he to the iconoclastic actor-writer-director-producer husband of Pamela Ostrer Mason. "He's rather shy and very sensitive," says Brigadier Balchin.

I have heard James Mason otherwise described in Hollywood....

Bob Hope's advice to starlets: "Don't try to outsmart the man you are with. He's not interested in your brains."

Hollywood this week acclaims two fine acting jobs by one of my favourite stars, Katharine Hepburn, in "Summertime" and Jennifer Jones in "Love is a Many Splendored Thing."

The themes are surprisingly similar. Better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all.

The men, Rosano Brazzi and William Holden, are both married. Footnote: Watch for Miss Jones as Dr. Suyin. Have already seen them copied by the young set here, worn at parties.

**DISPENSATIONS** Ask your father and your grandfather about Elsie Janis in "The Passing Show of 1915." Miss Janis, noted for her impersonations of Sarah Bernhardt, John Barrymore and Mary Pickford, has a solid life-story to the movie-makers. Retired, 67, living quietly in Hollywood, Miss Janis, who never married, was a star in the music-halls when she was sixteen.

"So I feel whoever portrays me on the screen must be able to look 'sweet' sixteen," she says.

Who would she like for the role of Elsie Janis, "Doris Day?" Walter Pidgeon was introduced to the stage by Elsie Janis. He was a hand some young baritone, tanned with her. "I was never glamorous," says Miss Janis "but I was versatile. I danced, sang, did imitations, a soubrette, they called me. Today, the girls specialise."

Hard luck for Anne Bancroft. She fell while riding on a location in South Dakota with Stewart Granger and Robert Taylor in

"Bayer's Tonic"

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"The Last Hunt," had to be replaced last week by Debra Paget who will play the buffalo hunters. Anne came to the studio, tried to do close-ups, but was in so much pain that she had to be sent home.

"We moved into our new house in Bel Air yesterday," Vic Damone told me. (Mrs. Damone is Pier Angeli). "We have four large bedrooms, one for Pier and me, one for the nursery, one for the maid, and one for the office and library." Resting under doctors' orders, Pier looks very well. They hope for a son.

**COMPROMISE** It looks like a victory for Marilyn Monroe in her battle with her bosses over rights for an independent film for her own company, M.M. Incorporated.

"The Seven Year Itch" is tickling the customers. Cinema owners demand more Monroe movies — and "right quick-o" — so there will be a compromise and Marilyn will become a wealthy young woman before she's 30.

Hollywood's most travelled star, Ann Miller, will co-star with Doris Day and Howard Keel in the musical comedy, "The Opposite Sex". "Mr. Aumont is a friend and he's very nice," said Grace Kelly at MGM Studio for fittings for her role of the princess in "The Swan."

"But I don't want to discuss my private life—and I WON'T!" Which seems to be the final word from Miss Kelly. And Mr. Aumont? "I hope to see her every day while I am here. I don't care to see any other girl at the moment."

Hardly gallant. But he's a reving Frenchman, likes publicity, and apparently Miss Kelly doesn't.

Miss Fry beat Miss Hart 7-5 3-6 6-2 in the Singles final. — Reuters.

Conversation at the Reg L'm: "Well, old man, I lean towards biodes but they keep pushing me away."

**WESTERN FOR BRANDO** A Western for Marlon Brando? That's what he says. He'd like to do next year for his own company, Pennybaker Productions. But he refuses to discuss his engagement or marriage to the French girl, waiting for him in New York.

Finishing in "Guys and Dolls," Marlon and his father flew to Nebraska to look at their cattle, then he returned to Hollywood for conferences with producer Jack Cummings on "Teahouse of the August Moon." As for Jean Simmons, she'll relax at home for a fortnight, then join husband Stewart Granger on location with "The Last Hunt."

Susan Hayward says only "I'm glad to be at work!" on the set of "I'll Cry Tomorrow" at M-G-M where she's playing the role of Lillian Roth, the singer who became an alcoholic, tried suicide, then reformed. But Jess Barker, Susan's ex-husband, is still battling for the custody of his twin sons and a better deal on community property.

**THE ANGELAS BEAT FRY & HART** Manchester, Massachusetts, Aug. 30.

Miss Angela Mortimer and Miss Angela Buxton (Britain) beat Miss Shirley Fry and Miss Doris Hart (U.S.) 4-8 6-4 6-2 in the Doubles final of the Essex Country Club's Women's Lawn Tennis Tournament here today.

Miss Fry beat Miss Hart 7-5 3-6 6-2 in the Singles final. — Reuters.

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## Each Doping Case Should Be Treated On Its Merits

By JAMES PARK

There has been much talk on racecourses about the withdrawal of Major J. B. Powell's training licence. I have heard nothing but sympathy for the former trainer. So far as the stewards of the Jockey Club are concerned they had no option.

They are bound by their own red tape. Their rule, rigidly adhered to, says that if it is found that any horse has had any drug or stimulant administered for the purpose of affecting its speed, the licence of the trainer of the horse shall be withdrawn.

The stewards of the Jockey Club have never refrained from giving full effect to the rule. So far as I know the stewards of the National Hunt Committee have done so on only one occasion.

Major Powell was the person concerned. It was in 1952 that the jumper, Deux Temps, was tested and found to be "positive." Major Powell declared his innocence and retained his licence.

**FINISHED LAST** It was over a two-year-old called Hilly that Powell lost it. The gelding finished last in the Wolverhampton race which gave rise to suspicion. In two earlier races he had failed to finish in the first ten.

Surely there would be no sense in doping such a horse to

lose. There is no evidence that the colt was backed to any extent for the Wolverhampton race. It is therefore difficult to arrive at any motive.

One can reasonably assume that, having been concerned on previous occasions, Major Powell would take steps to see that it did not happen again. He declares that if any drug was administered it was without his knowledge.

That has happened before. The most recent case I know of occurred this year. A horse, in the hands of the trainer, was home, was not put in the racecourse stables but in a box at a farm a few miles away.

On the morning of the race the trainer found the horse had a temperature. Veterinary opinion was that the horse had been doped in the most amateurish way.

**RESPONSIBLE** Naturally, it did not run. Had it done so and an examination been made, the trainer would have lost his licence, as he is held responsible.

That is where the harshness of the rules comes in. Taking the long-term view I am all in favour of it and, in applying it, the stewards of the Jockey Club are only doing their duty.

It seems to me it would be fairer and more satisfactory if some means could be discovered of dealing with each case on its merits.

The stewards' secretaries now get a written statement of betting activities in the ring. That should be helpful when doping cases crop up.

I am not writing on behalf of any individual. It is with the principle that I am concerned and I have no doubt that the stewards of the Jockey Club are thinking along similar lines.

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## SOUTH-EAST ASIA BOXING TOURNAMENT

Singapore, Aug. 30. Burma scored four points to lead in the team standing at the end of the first night's events of the first South-east Asia Boxing Championships on Monday night.

The Philippines was a close second with three points followed by Ceylon with two. Singapore and Australia each had a point.

Although Hongkong won no points its lightweight, F. R. Jones, provided the best fight when he gamely fought the Filipino Aslan Games Champion, Colodono Espinosa. Espinosa won by only a slight margin.

Australia's welterweight, Les Harrod, protested when the referee stopped his fight with Burma's S. Majid in the third round after Harrod suffered a slight cut over his left eye.

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# PLANS FOR BRIDGE TO LINK ITALY AND SICILY

Messina, Aug. 30.

Surveys have begun for siting a suspension bridge which will link the island of Sicily with the Italian mainland across the tempestuous Straits of Messina.

Four geologists have arrived here to sound the narrow waterway, testing the seabed into which two massive pillars will be driven to support the 1,524-metre (5,000-foot) central span of the planned double-decker bridge.

A blueprint of the bridge is prepared. Finance for the building is reported to be available. All that remains is to select the exact site and decide upon the technical method to be adopted for sinking the centre piles.

For centuries, inhabitants of Italy and Sicily have been plagued by the problem of the turbulent strip of sea dividing the Calabrian cliff cave of the legendary six-headed Scylla, a sailor-eating monster trans-  
formed by the enchantress Circe, and the dreaded whirlpool of Charybdis.

## Too Costly

Ulysses, while anxiously navigating between the twin perils, was troubled by it. Legends has it that Saint Francis of Paola, in the 15th century, walked across the waves from shore to shore. But his miraculous feat gave no help in solving the problems of transport and communications between Italy and Sicily.

When Italy was unified in the last century, the problems became more pressing. An engineer, commissioned in 1860 to weigh possibilities, reported that a bridge would be too costly.

Five more projects emerged between 1870 and World War II, the first of them visualising a railway tunnel 100 metres (500 feet) under the seabed.

Finally, in postwar years, replacement of the slow, expensive ferryboat link by a bridge across the Straits became urgent.

The development of the Sicilian oil industry and the expansion of rail and road communications on both sides of the channel caused a bottleneck which became worse year by year.

## Achievements

A plan for a massive steel suspension bridge to span the three-kilometre (two-mile) wide Strait was put forward by 69-year-old bridge engineer, Mr. David Steinman, of New York, who planned and built the bridge spanning Golden Gate Bay at San Francisco, the George Washington and Steel Gate bridges of New York, Sydney Harbour suspension bridge, the Michigan bridge, and a host of others.

But the Messina Straits bridge, he says, will excel them all and add that it will be "the strongest, most stable and most beautiful steel suspension bridge the world has ever seen."

With clean, symmetrical curves it will be 3,300 metres (10,824 feet) long with five bays, the main centre span flanked by two intermediate spans of 123 metres (240 feet), and two outer spans of 150 metres (512 feet).

Two gigantic piles, each about 120 metres (394 feet) deep, will buttress the long middle span. It will be 29 metres (95 feet) wide. The lower level of the double-decker bridge will be 60 metres (213 feet) above sea level, giving the biggest liners ample clearance.

Mr. Steinman has designed the higher level for road traffic, with two three-track channels, and the lower for trains. The double level gives greater crosswise rigidity.

## Not Contractor

While emphasising that he is not the bridge's contractor, Mr. Steinman has stated that a group of international bankers at New York is interested in the project which can be financed by interest-bearing bond issues in the normal way.

Some 25,000 Italian workmen will be employed full time for the six or eight years needed to build the bridge. Work will be under the supervision of Italian engineers, the designer says.

The Sicilian regional government is financing the present geophysical surveys and the project has been accepted in principle. No date has yet been set for starting work, however.

One first link between Sicily and Calabria is already on the way. By the new year, overhead power cables carrying electricity from the mainland mountains to Sicily's industries will be strung across the Straits.

—China Mail Special.

## RANK PROFIT RECORD

London, Aug. 30.  
Mr. J. Arthur Rank's Odeon Theatres Limited, the biggest single unit in the British film industry, today declared record profits of £8,727,035 for the year ended last June. Profits for the previous year was £7,704,084.

The company has been steadily increasing its profits since 1949 when they fell to a postwar low of £1,587,356.

After paying tax and other charges the net profit was £1,582,904 against £1,383,226 the year before.

—China Mail Special.

## Islam Movement Reception



The head of the Ahmadiyya Movement in Islam, Hazrat Mahmud Ahmad, at the London Grosvenor Hotel reception given in his honour by the Ahmadiyya community of Great Britain.—Express Photo.

## 9 MAU MAU KILLED

Nairobi, Aug. 30.  
Police killed nine out of a gang of 11 Mau Mau terrorists in Kenya's White Highlands last night, a Government spokesman said today.—Reuter.

## French Tourists

Moscow, Aug. 30.  
The first mass group of French tourists to Russia since World War II arrived here by train from Leningrad today.

The 78 tourists were a part of a boatload of 780 French men and 93 women who are visiting Germany at present. The rest remained in Leningrad.—United Press.

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## May Free War Criminals

Tokyo, Aug. 31.  
A Kyodo news agency said that Communist China was likely "to take measures shortly for the release of Japanese war criminals."

Kyodo, Japan's national news agency, reported that Madame Li Teh-chun, President of the Communist Chinese Red Cross, yesterday told visiting Japanese Diet members that she believed there was "good news" ahead for the Japanese war criminals. Her "good news" remark followed a statement by Prime Minister Chou En-lai on Monday to Japanese Diet members that his government was "hastening preparations" for a decision on this issue.—Reuter.

## South African By-Election Opposition Party Rift Over Coloured Voters

Johannesburg, Aug. 30.

South Africa's United Party opposition will face a crucial test for its future on September 14 when a by-election is fought here over the party's policy towards coloured voters of mixed blood.

The by-election has been precipitated by a former member of the United Party who has turned independent to challenge the party's leadership because it failed to give an outright pledge to restore coloured voters to common electoral rolls if they are removed by the present Nationalist Government.

By "packing" the Senate with pro-Government supporters, the Nationalists hope to have a sufficient two-thirds majority in next year's session of the South African Parliament to pass disputed constitutional legislation placing the so-called coloured voters on separate voting rolls.

United Party policy has always been to resist this change in the franchise rights of the coloured people who have traditionally voted with white people, since they were accepted as part of the early settlement of Cape Province in the south, where about 1,000,000 of them now live.

## Restoration

But during the last session of Parliament, the leader of the United Party, Mr. Jacobus Strauss, evaded a flat promise to restore the coloured voters to common rolls if and when the Opposition regain power, arguing that it was premature to say exactly what could be done about it now.

"At the moment," he said in a statement issued for seven

dissentient party members who demanded a "restoration" pledge, "it is not easy to see a clear path through the legislative jungle created by the Government's measures tampering with the Constitution."

"All we can promise is that on our return to power we shall in consultation with the coloured people set right the grave injustice done to them in the best way open to us at that time and in a form which will serve the best interests of South Africa as a whole."

Six of the seven members of the Party's so-called Liberal wing who had originally challenged Mr. Strauss's policy on the issue accepted this explanation. The seventh, 50-year-old Dr. Bernard Friedman, a surgeon turned politician, would not.

Dr. Friedman who sat in Parliament as United Party member for the heavily-populated Johannesburg district of Hillbrow, a constituency of skyscraper blocks of flats (apartment houses), publicly declared that he felt the only possible answer to "such a fundamental question of 'principles' was a 'clear and unequivocal yes'."

He said that he considered that Mr. Strauss's "non-committal" statement meant that the United Party, if it deemed it expedient, would acquiesce in the removal of coloured voters from the common rolls.

This defiance of party leadership led to Dr. Friedman's expulsion from the United Party. Meanwhile, he had resigned his seat in Parliament to fight the issue as an independent in his old constituency.

## Sides Taken

Hillbrow's by-election is a considerable embarrassment to the United Party which is thus forced to fight a party dispute in public. The party leaders deplore it because personal prestige is at stake while the anti-Government English-language press which believes that an united front should be maintained, at all costs, as the best means of dislodging the Afrikaner Nationalists from power, regrets it.

Sides are being taken within the party over the issue. Many United Party supporters of liberal tendencies sympathise with Dr. Friedman's cause. Some have resigned party posts or membership to support it.

Cynics say that the only people who can benefit from this political fratricide is the governing Nationalist party who exploited the United Party's discomfort when the issue arose in Parliament and now contemplate "the forthcoming by-election with glee."

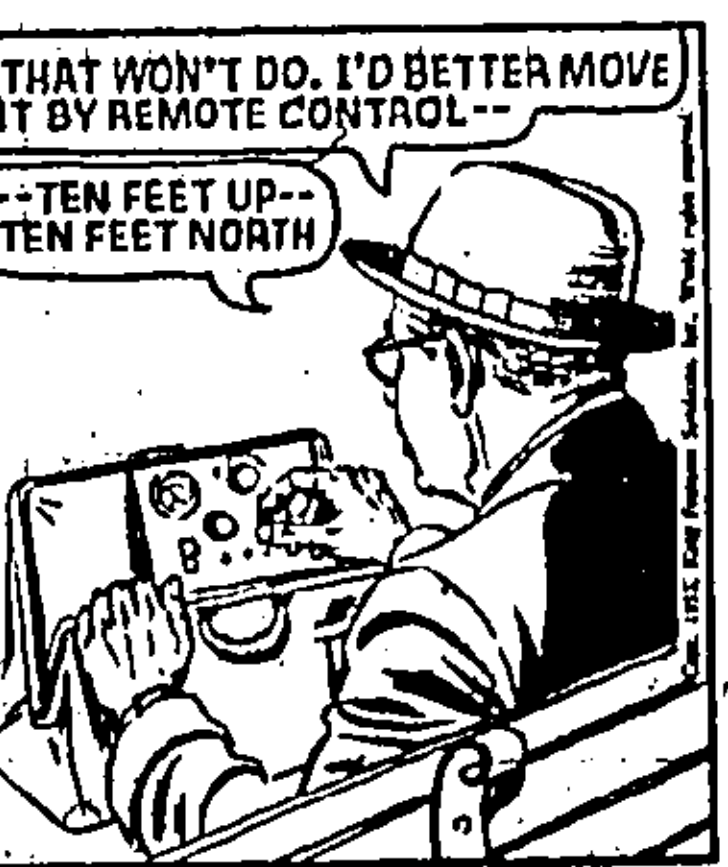
No one is certain of the outcome of the voting, but the Nationalists believe that they cannot lose.

United Party leaders were unduly long finding a candidate who had the prestige and was willing to fight for Dr. Friedman, who is considered popular in a constituency hostile to its strong Jewish element.

Several possible candidates were reportedly to have been approached unsuccessfully for the official nomination. Then it was announced that a 38-year-old Senator for Natal Province, Dr. Louis Steenkamp, had accepted.

## MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



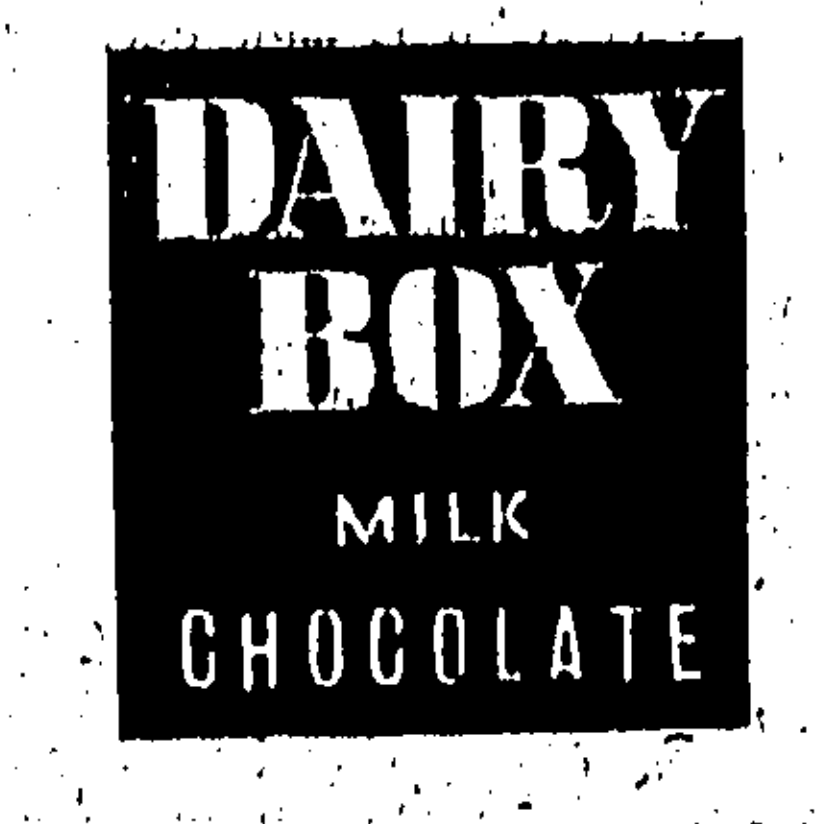
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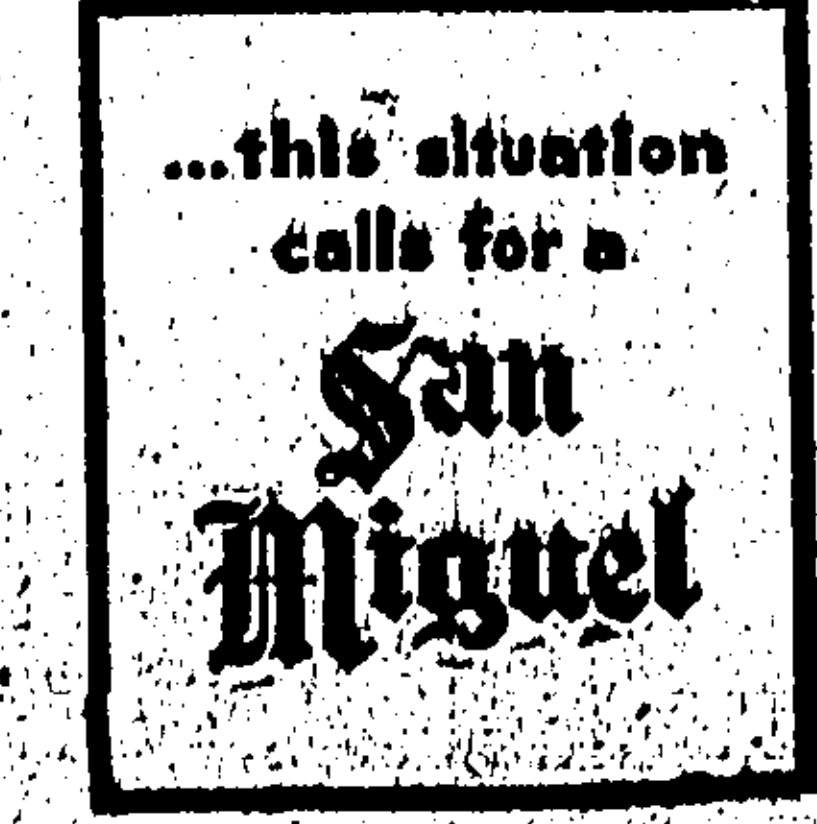
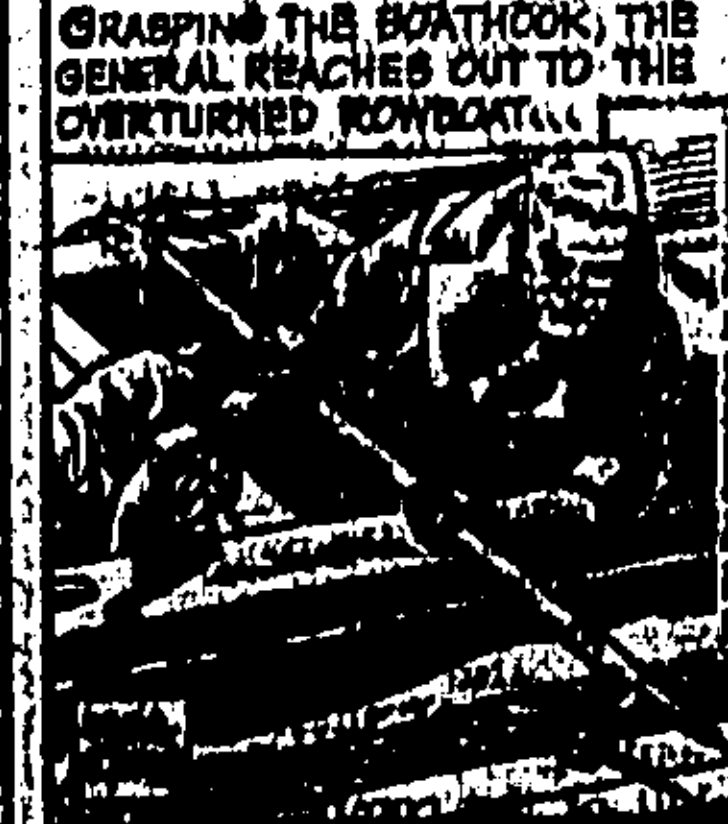
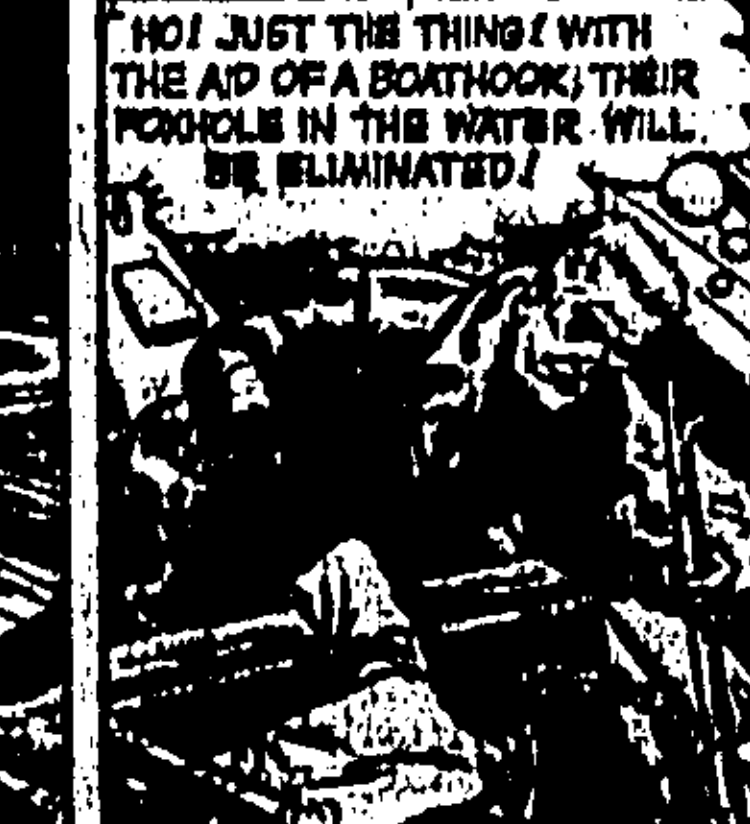
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By Frank Robbins



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## TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

## HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done in the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$740,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

BANKS  
HSBC Bank 1720 1740  
Underwriters 1010 1015 40 1015

DOCKS, ETC.  
K. Wharf 750 200 75  
Docks 2820 100 28  
Provident (S) 15.70 15.50 500 15.80  
Wheelock 0.40 0.55 6100 0.40

LAND, ETC.  
HK Hotel 1915 19.00 2200 19.00  
Docks 2820 100 28  
Provident (S) 15.70 15.50 500 15.80  
Wheelock 0.40 0.55 6100 0.40

RUBBER  
A. Rubber 2.10 2.15 5000 3.15  
Trust 3.10 1600 3.125

UTILITIES  
Star Ferry 110 140 100 117  
Yamutai Ferry 22.20 22.00 3000 22.50  
C. Light (N) 22.70 22.00 100 22.50

C. Light (N) 17.00 17.50 100 17.50  
Macao Elec 11.00 500 11.00  
Telephone 33 33 500 33

INDUSTRIALS  
Cement 30 34 200 33 1/2  
Nanyang 0.40 0.55 500 0.40  
Miscellaneous 22.00 1000 22.00

WATSON  
Textile Corp. 5.45 100 5.45  
Nanyang 0.40 0.55 500 0.40  
Miscellaneous 22.00 1000 22.00

YANGTSE  
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Allied 5.80 5.90 2000 5.80

## US Imports &amp; Exports

Washington, Aug. 30.  
United States imports from Japan in June increased slightly from May, but imports from most of the other Asiatic countries were moderately lower, according to Commerce Department statistics released today.

Exports to Asiatic countries in June were in most cases smaller than in May. General imports from all Asiatic countries in June were valued at \$161,500,000 compared to \$174,000,000 in May, and \$141,000,000 in June, 1954.

United States exports to all Asiatic countries were \$162,300,000 compared to \$177,400,000 in May and \$163,400,000 in June, 1954.

United States imports from Japan in June were \$24,400,000 against \$33,000,000 in the previous month and \$23,700,000 in June, 1954. Exports to Japan in June were \$44,800,000 against \$51,800,000 in the previous month and \$50,000,000 in June, 1954.

United States imports from other Asiatic countries in June compared to May included:

From	Against
Pakistan	\$2,000,000 \$1,000,000
British Malaya	\$2,300,000 \$2,000,000
Indonesia	\$1,500,000 \$1,000,000
The Philippines	\$2,300,000 \$1,000,000
South Korea	\$30,000 \$200,000
Hongkong	\$1,300,000 \$1,400,000
India	\$20,000,000 \$21,000,000

United States exports to the same countries in June compared to May were:

To	Against
India	\$11,500,000 \$17,000,000
Pakistan	\$1,500,000 \$1,000,000
British Malaya	\$2,300,000 \$2,000,000
Indonesia	\$1,500,000 \$1,000,000
The Philippines	\$2,300,000 \$1,000,000
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## RUNAWAY INFLATION BEDEVILING

## World Cotton Markets

New York, Aug. 30.  
Cotton futures today sawed narrowly in a quiet dealing as prices responded on small orders either way.

After a steady start, hedge selling and liquidation lowered nearby positions, but the decline met trade support around the 33.60 cent level for December.

Far forward positions were relatively inactive. Closing on a reaction the list finished not unchanged to 11 points lower. Opening prices were up 3 1/2 to 1 point.

New Orleans closed off 1 to 6 points. Month-end textile mill buying and shipper covering against export commitments to Formosa and Korea centered in the December delivery. Traders estimated around the resistance point.

New speculative interest marked time. Traders transferred attention to securities or other outside commodities while they waited for fresh incentives in the cotton picture.

With the market entering the harvesting period, traders waited to see whether hedge selling would expand or whether farmers would impound under the loan programme.

The Government weekly crop summary was mixed. Heavy showers were detrimental for about two days in south Atlantic, middle and east Gulf.

Texans reported harvesting almost finished in the lower Rio Grande valley. Arizona and New Mexico reported better progress.

Cotton, generally progressed satisfactorily in California. Trading volume and open interest in the Exchange today were:

Month	Volume	Open Interest
Dec.	29,000	762,300
Mar.	7,900	342,500
May	7,900	342,500
July	3,300	129,200
Oct.	3,800	129,200
Dec.	3,300	25,700
Total	50,000	2,150,100 bales

NEW YORK  
Prices of futures closed today as follows:

Spot	Dec.	Mar.	May	July	Oct.	Dec.
Spot	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60
Dec.	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60
Mar.	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60
May	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60
July	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60
Oct.	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60
Dec.	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60

NEW ORLEANS  
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Spot	Dec.	Mar.	May	July	Oct.	Dec.
Spot	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60
Dec.	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60
Mar.	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60
May	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60
July	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60
Oct.	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60
Dec.	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60	33.60

LIVERPOOL  
Future closings, American middling, in pence per lb. were as follows:

Oct/Nov	Nov/Dec	Dec/Jan	Jan/Feb	Feb/Mar	Mar/Apr	Apr/May	May/June
31.41	30.73	29.95-97	28.59	28.59	28.59	28.59	28.59

SAO PAULO  
Futures closings, in cruzeros per kilo were as follows:

Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00

London Stock Market  
London, Aug. 30.  
British Government bonds led the London stock market down sharply today.

Gills were heavily sold on the belief the bank rate will be jacked up on Thursday. War Loan was hard hit, losing 20s. Old Consols, Dalton and others off 15s.

Stocks also felt the sting of the selling wave. Blue chip issues were off 1 to 2 shillings, most closing at the day's lows.

Oil shares lost 2 to 3 shillings, Dutch which countered the trend with a rise of 1/2. Gold shares were quiet. Coppers moved irregularly.

Foreign bonds also ran into selling and Germans tumbled 1 1/2 and some Japanese fell as much as 1/2.—United Press.

Exchange Rates  
Business was done in the local foreign exchange market this morning at the following rates:

Unit	Rate
U.S. dollar (per \$1)	1.50
Swiss franc (per 100)	1.50
Australian dollar (per £1)	1.50
Indonesian rupiah (per 100)	1.50
Siamese baht (per 100)	1.50
Philippine peso (per 100)	1.50
Indo-China piastre (per 100)	1.50

Cost Of Living  
On the surface, at least, inflation has barely touched this country's latest figures issued by the United Nations show that the cost of living in the United States has risen only 11 per cent in the past seven years.

With 1948 equalling 100, the cost of living index for some of the world's hardest-hit countries reads like this: Paraguay—1,770, Bolivia—1,320, Chile—763, and Formosa—692.

Very few countries show any slackening in the cost of living in the last seven years, but there are a few bright spots. Burma and Cuba have dropped four points to 96, India and Yugoslavia 92, Lebanon 82.

Economic experts say one of the biggest causes of inflation in the under-developed countries is that they have been trying to

## PARTS OF WORLD

## Twinges Of Alarm Felt In America

New York, Aug. 30.  
Harsh winds of inflation are blowing around the world, whirling prices to fantastic heights in some countries—and causing the first twinges of alarm in the United States.

So far the inflationary lash has virtually by-passed this country in comparison with the havoc inflicted on other lands.

In Chile, where the cost of living has skyrocketed 70 per cent in the last year, some workers have to work 25 days to buy a pair of shoes and nearly an hour to buy a single egg.

In Bolivia, the cost of living has soared to 12 times what it was in 1948. And in South Korea—worst hit spot in the known global inflationary picture—it costs 103 times as much to live today as it did seven years ago.

Inflation figures for Iran, certain countries are not available, but Soviet Russia's policy of concentrating on the production of war-potential "hard goods" inevitably means a growing shortage of the normal necessities and luxuries of life—the so-called "soft goods"—and such shortages in turn lead to rising prices.

boost their living standards almost overnight. Overly ambitious, they have been borrowing money even before the wheels of new production start turning. The result in many cases has

been soaring wages and government presses working round-the-clock to print cheap money that only makes prices rise higher than ever.—Associated Press.

NEW YORK  
Futures today closed 25 to 45 points lower with sales of 103 contracts. Intra-dealer switching operations dominated the less active terminal market today. May-Dec. contracts were exchanged at 250 points and Dec-Sept. at 50 points. In addition, September and December contracts were exchanged for physical rubber.

The spot market ruled dull with No. 1 RSS quoted nominally 45 1/2 cents a pound.

Futures:  
Sept. 46.20b  
Oct. 46.70-75  
Nov. 46.70-75  
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AMSTERDAM  
The market was dull. Prices today closed in guilders per kilogram, Sept. as follows:

No. 1 rubber	No. 2 rubber	No. 3 rubber	No. 1 crepe
3.50 nom.	3.50 nom.	3.50 nom.	3.50 nom.

Domestic No. 6 sugar futures closed unchanged to 2 points lower with no sales reported. Both contracts remained inactive pending raw market developments.

Future closings were:  
Contract No. 4 (world)  
Sept. 3.25b  
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